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## Keeping their traps shut



Above: Mississippi Department of Marine Resources fisheries biologist Bill Richardson unloads two of the more than 150 abandoned crab traps collected at Bayou Caddy during the Volunteer Crab Trap Cleanup Day held in Hancock County March 20.

Volunteers Jeff Brenegan of Pearllington, Miss. and his daughter Melody Stewart of Bay St. Louis return to collection site with nine abandoned crab traps they picked up from Bayou Caddy during the Volunteer Crab Trap Cleanup Day held March 20, the last day of the shallow water closed crab trap season in Hancock County.

Photo Courtesy of Mississippi Department of Marine Resources



## Narcotics Division seizes nearly eight pounds of marijuana in raid

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS  
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The Hancock County Narcotics Division arrested three in connection with almost eight pounds of marijuana seized Monday, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

The three arrested were: Kenneth Ray Carver, Jr., 26; Jesse Pullman Pursley, 25; and Jamie Nathan Page, 17, with bond set at \$50,000 each, Matt Karl said.

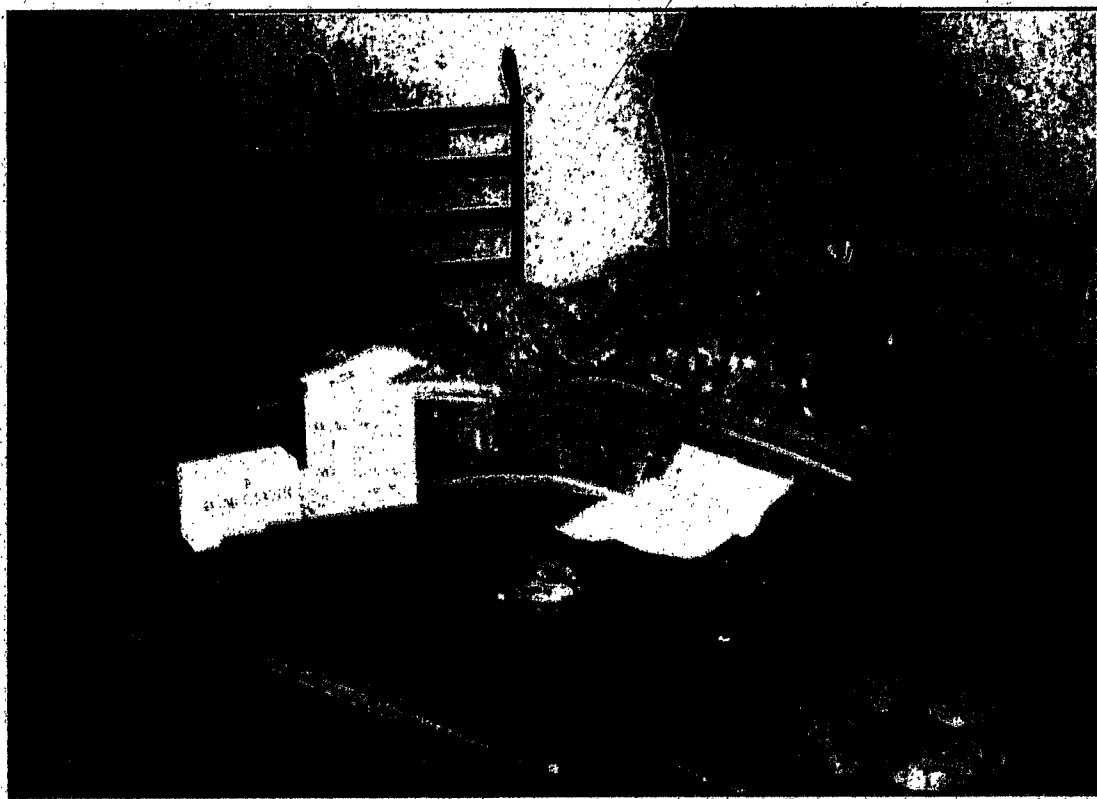
Karl added, Carver was arrested for the alleged sale of a controlled substance in the Kiln Post Office's parking lot.

Pursley and Page were charged with the alleged possession of marijuana at a Road 500 residence in the Spring Park area. Because of the charges, Page is being charged as an adult. All three gave the Road 500 address.

Karl said the buy/bust of Carver involved one-half pound of marijuana and led agents to the Road 500 residence.

"Receiving verbal permission search the residence, we first found a small amount of marijuana and later located over seven pounds in the attic, where upon the arrests of Pursley and Page were made," Karl reported.

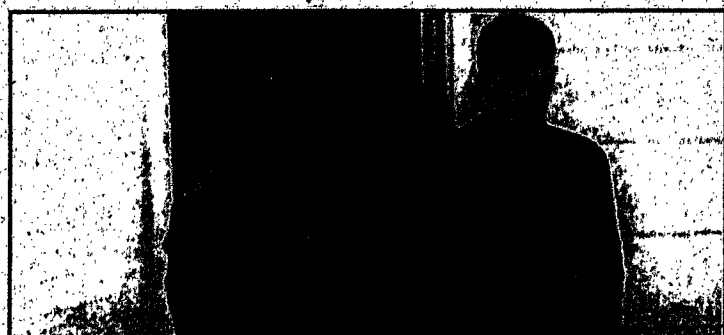
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The Hancock County Sheriff Narcotics Division Agents seized almost eight pounds of marijuana in a drug bust on Monday. Three suspects were arrested and officers seized a 9 MM Smith & Weston with serial numbers erased, according to Director Major Matt Karl.

Alison, Chris Russell and Clifton (Bubba) Malley, himself were assisted by Deputy Captain Joe Herrin and Deputy Thalius Ladner in making the arrests.

Karl did say, "This case is still being further investigated, as we expect to make several more arrests. Agent Alison is leading the investigation."



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## Lakeshore burglary suspect arrested

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS  
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A suspect has been arrested in connection with the March 4 burglary of Kent & Sue's Quick Stop in Lakeshore, according to Sheriff's Investigator Matt Barnett.

Barnett said, "Derrick Benoit, 19, Arctic Street, Shoreline Park, was arrested on Tuesday and charged with the alleged commercial burglary of Kent & Sue's. His bond was set at \$2,000."

In the early hours of March 4, an alert passerby noticed Kent & Sue's front door open, and notified the sheriff's office.

"Lt. Ron Borja responded to the business. He was informed initially by owners that beer and cigarettes were missing. Estimated value of the missing merchandise was in the hundreds of dollars. Also there was the cost of repairing the door which was damaged," Barnett said following the burglary.

On Wednesday, Barnett said, "The burglary is still being investigated and more arrests are expected to be made in the near future."

## Firefighters take time out to read

A Shift of the Bay Saint Louis Fire Department will be taking time out of their regular fire duties this morning to read to K-3 students at North Bay Elementary. "This is great! Students get the opportunity to see us as regular people. They can get up close and we can establish a different less threatening relationship with the kids because we will be reading fun books and not talking about fire prevention," said Fire Safety Officer Louis Prendergast.

Captain Monty Strong, along with Lt. Mark Zitterkopf, and firefighters Bill Russell, Martin Pavolini, Billy Shaft and Brian Sellier will participate. They will have their faithful companion, Fire Pup, for support and additional entertainment.

The reading program is part of an on-going program with North Bay connecting community leaders and students in a fun way, giving both the opportunity to learn more about the other. "I am very proud that our fire department responded positively and energetically to participating in the project," said Mayor Eddie Favre.

## 'Mudbug Challenge' to benefit Boys & Girls Clubs Saturday

Farves on the Bayou is hosting a silent auction in conjunction with the Mudbug Challenge to benefit the Hancock County Unit of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast on Saturday, March 27, 2004. Event starts at 1pm. Crawfish served until 5pm. Tickets are \$20 per person. All proceeds from the auction will benefit the new Hancock County Unit of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast. To donate auction items, contact Richie Santiago at 463-9662.

## Happy Homecoming!



The Kenny family of Bay St. Louis welcomed home one of its own last week, when Billy Kenny - with the 890th Engineering Battalion, Company A, Army National Guard in Pfcayune, MS - returned to the Army base in Georgia after spending the past year in Iraq. Pictured are Cindy Kenny (Billy's aunt), Dillon Kenny (Billy's cousin), David Kenny (Billy's uncle), Katy Kenny (Billy's cousin), Billy Kenny, Aline Ward (his aunt), and Virginia Kenny (Billy's mother).

## Waveland seeks money for capital improvements

BY BENNIE  
SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

Waveland Aldermen voted to refinance a 1996, \$1.25 million, general obligation bond to save the city money on repayment. Attorney Lucien Bourgeois of Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens and Cannada, PLLC, told aldermen that the city could save \$48,000 on the payback by refinancing the remaining \$800,000 obligation at a lower interest rate. All four voted to approve the refinance.

In other financial business, aldermen voted to table a new proposal to advertise the city's intent to borrow up to \$3.75 million for capital improvement projects. Ward 1 Alderman Keith Mitchell suggested the action to give aldermen more time to look at the actual projects to be funded by the bond. Mitchell also asked for a report on the grants funds associated with each project. The projects will be discussed at the city's next workshop meeting on April 5.

Late last year, at Bourgeois' recommendation, the city considered going with a Tax Increment Financing bond (TIF) to fund improvement projects. The bond would have been secured by the expected new sales tax and ad valorem tax revenues generated by the new Walmart Super Center.

With the TIF the city would pledge a percentage of the tax revenues to bond repayment with the remainder of the tax revenues going to city coffers. The city's obligation for repayment would have been limited to that percentage.

On Wednesday, Bourgeois told officials that there could be some difficulty with using dollars from such a bond to finance infrastructure that would benefit the entire city. The TIF was originally initiated to encourage new businesses by providing a means for financing needed infrastructure for the new development.

On Wednesday Bourgeois and Steve Pittman from the Mississippi Development Bank pitched a new type of bond, the Mississippi Development Authority Loan, similar to the TIF, in its use of revenues for loan security. The difference is that the Mississippi Development Bank loan makes use of all available

revenue into the city to secure the loan, not just revenues associated with Walmart.

Another type of loan the city could consider is a general obligation bond that would be secured by revenues or by raising taxes, Bourgeois said. One year's debt service would have to be put into a reserve account on either one of the two revenue bonds, he said. The proceeds from the bond

must be spent within three years.

Before further action is taken the city will have to notify the public through a legal ad and allow the citizens an opportunity to comment.

In other business: • City officials will meet with representatives from the Coast next week to discuss arrangements for Waveland's participation this fall.

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## Cuevas' Quotes

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I spoke to four classes of eager seventh graders. It sure made me feel good to know that we have seventh graders who are already "on track" in seeking information on possible careers ahead for them following school days.

As most of you are aware of, many of these youngsters will be joining the work forces in our community in less than 10 years.

Just looking across the faces of these youngsters, one can vision some great leaders for our community of tomorrow.

The administrators, teachers, and do not forget the volunteers of Hancock, as they are molding the future of the generations to come.

Keep up the great work folks!

On Sunday I had several folks make a comment about The Echo's Archives column about the snowman photo which included two of my brothers and myself.

For us, and I was already out of school back in March 1954, when the particular photo appeared in The Echo, we had never had enough snow in Waveland to build a snowman. We had scene only a few light snow flurries before.

I remember my youngest brother climbing up on the roof to scrape enough snow to make the small snowman.

Needless to say, our mother was not pleased about him being on the roof and possibly causing a leak.

You know, 50 years ago is a long time and lots of things have since then. I well remember the 11 inch snowfall we had on Dec. 31, 1963.

This is the time of year

when many of our youngsters begin to start thinking about baseball and softball activities.

Football, soccer, and basketball activities are over and attention goes to other sports.

In recent weeks I have noticed several young ladies practicing at the Girls Fast Pitch McDonald Field in Bay St. Louis. The Bay's League still has registrations going on.

In Lakeshore, the Hancock County League Girls Fastpitch Softball will hold tryouts on Saturday, March 27, at the Lakeshore Field.

Girls ages 5-8 at 10 a.m.; ages 9-12, noon; 13-16 and 17-18 at 2 p.m.

For further information, call Herb at 467-1294, or Frank at 467-4220.

Best of luck to all ball players.

It is wished that more folks would think twice before they toss litter out of the window of their vehicles.

It so happened that on Tuesday evening, I was a passenger of Sheriff Steve Garber and we were following a vehicle on Beach Boulevard in Waveland, when a passenger tossed out a cup which landed on the exercise way.

Garber pulled the vehicle over and in it were two teens, who were very apologetic as to what had happened and promised never to do it again.

They were eager to collect a designated stretch of the beach Sheriff Garber issued to them on the spot.

An ironic thing was that Garber, a few minutes earlier asked if I was going to attend a special meeting on Thursday to discuss litter problems in the county involving the chamber beautification chairs, justice court and youth court judges and a port and harbor representative.

## Segregationist's daughter & civil rights hero teach at same school

What are the odds the daughter of Mississippi's bitter-end segregationist 1960s governor and the hero of Mississippi's civil rights movement 45 years later would become fellow teachers in the same black high school?

A million to one? Ten million to one? Or, impossible?

Sometimes the Lord works in clever ways, bridging a yawning civil rights divide and one day bringing two persons from diametrically opposite ends of the racial spectrum into common cause.

Such a remarkable happening has taken place right here in Jackson, Miss. Here, in a town many in the

early 1960s would describe as Fortress Barnett. As in Ross Barnett.

Keep the name Barnett in mind, because one principal in our modern miracle bears the Barnett name: his daughter, Ouida Barnett Atkins.

The other principal in our town's unlikely happening is a light-skinned Harvard-educated black man named Bob Moses, the brilliant soft-spoken Freedom Summer strategist and key activist behind Mississippi's civil rights movement of the 1960s.



### Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

And, amazingly, while such other civil rights icons as Medgar Evers were gunned down, Bob Moses survived.

Then three decades later, Bob Moses would come back to Mississippi to lead another crusade, this time to unshackle the minds of black youngsters and teach them the key to learning algebra, long their insurmountable task.

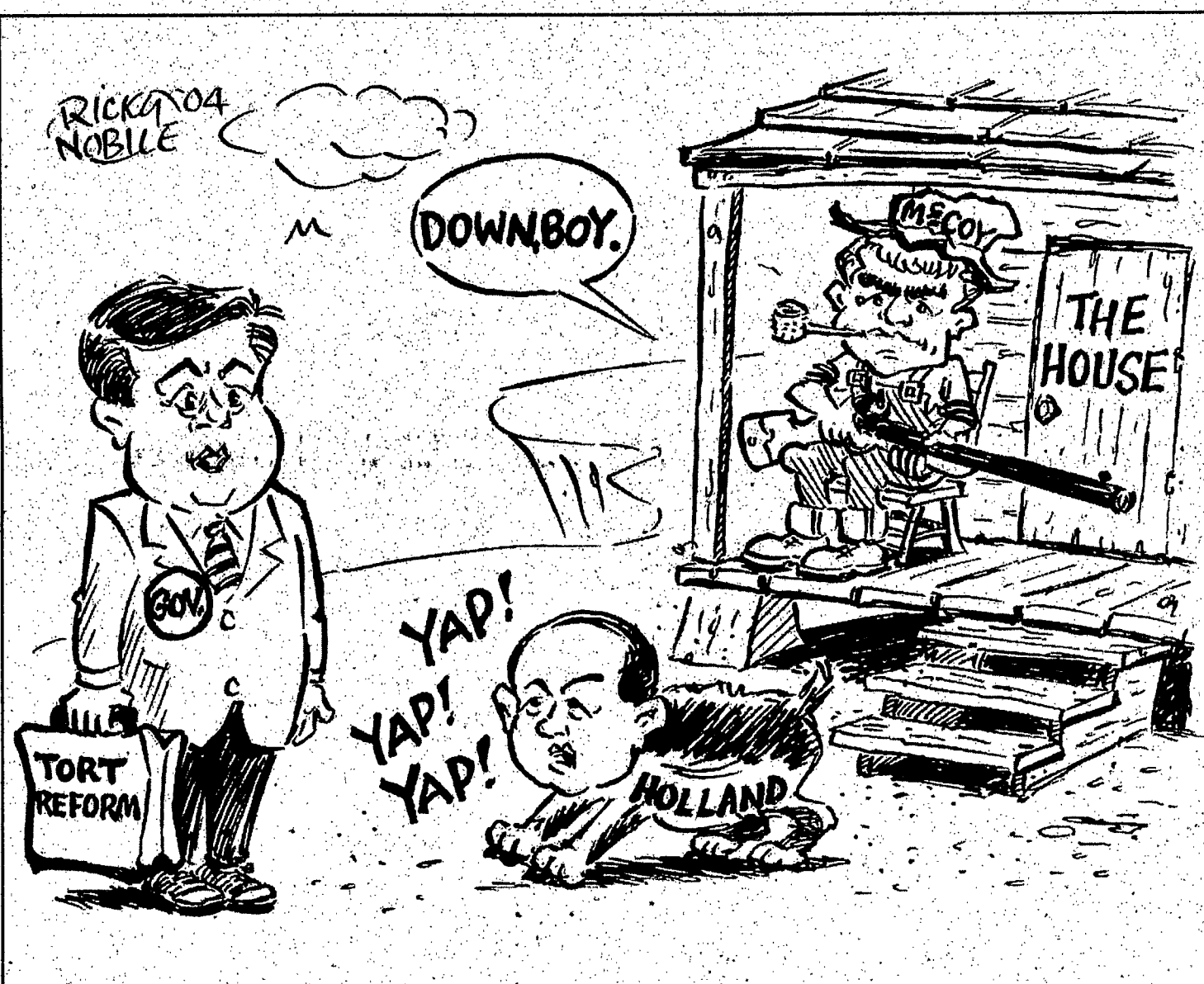
Teaching is what would bring together Ouida Barnett Atkins, now a tall, lean 70-year-old, and Moses, 69, the revered African-

American icon, of the civil rights struggle. He today much prefers to talk about his Algebra Project rather than his days breaking down Mississippi segregation.

Fate in the mid-1990s brought both Ouida Barnett and Bob Moses to teach at the same Jackson inner-city Lanier High School.

Each teaching on a different floor, their starkly different backgrounds had been unknown to each other for several years. She didn't realize who Moses was and that he taught at the same school until it was pointed out to her by a news reporter doing a story on

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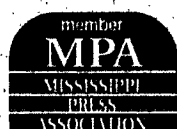
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## Reader questions school coverage

Dear Editor,

Your recent "Pondering" editorial titled "What Was She Thinking," which attacked the Bay-Waveland school district for citing only nine Sea Coast Echo articles in its public relations report, deserves a response.

I too have noticed very few articles on the Bay-Waveland schools in the Echo in the last year or two.

This is a change in the paper from when I was the public relations officer for the North Bay Elementary PTO in 2000-2001.

That school year the Echo published at least a half-dozen feature stories on North Bay alone, and I remember seeing far more features on both the public and private schools appearing in print at that time.

Just to see for myself, on March 18, I ran a sample search at the Sea Coast Echo web site (www.seacoastecho.com) for school-oriented articles appearing over a period of 1 year from March 13, 2003, to March 16, 2004.

Here are the results that I found when I searched under the following headings:

- "North Bay Elementary" -- 1 article (March 8, 2004) on literacy for all

- "Second Street Elementary" -- 1 article (March 14, 2004) on student writing

- "Bay-Waveland School District" -- 6 articles, several on the mercury scare

- "Bay High" -- 82 sports articles

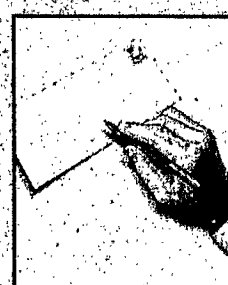
Notably, the lone North Bay and Second Street articles appeared just this month at approximately the same time that the Echo ran the editorial criticizing the school district's public relations report.

I have two children in Bay-Waveland public schools and know that many positive, news-worthy events take place there that should be presented to our community through the local paper. And, yes, Mr. Ponder, you do have the space in your paper. If

## Letters to the Editor

### Our letters policy

The Echo welcomes letters from its readers. Letters should be typed, double-spaced, and include a return address. Letters should be no longer than 250 words. The Echo reserves the right to edit letters for clarity and brevity. Letters are published at the discretion of the editor.



today's Echo (March 18, 2004) can devote four full pages of the "Community" section to "Spring Car Care" featuring ads and "filler" articles that don't even carry a reporter's byline--then the Echo has the room to cover events at our community schools.

I think, and the data show, that the Echo can do a better job covering the schools. So, Editor Ponder, to reference your recent headline, "What were you thinking?"

Sincerely, Lisa. Eveleigh, Bay St. Louis

EDITOR'S NOTE  
The Sea Coast Echo's website is not the printed

newspaper.

The website is simply a recap of the top news stories, basically just the front page. It does not carry most of the articles published in the newspaper.

If anyone really wishes to count the number of articles published on any area school, simply come into the Sea Coast Echo office at 124 Court Street, Bay St. Louis.

You will be provided bound editions of any past issues. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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# President Bush's new vision all about destiny

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NASA Stennis Space  
Center Director

President Bush has unveiled a powerful new exploration vision for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

It is a vision that stirs the fires of America's imagination. The fundamental goal of our new space policy is to advance science, security and economic interests through a robust space exploration program.

As the President said, "we are embarking on a journey, not a race." Activities will be paced by experience, technology readiness and affordability.

Our journey begins on Earth, then returns us to the Moon - by 2020. From there, taking one stepping stone at a time, we will venture to Mars and beyond, extending our presence across our solar system.

This journey will expand human knowledge and revolutionize our understanding of the Universe.

Already, technological advances and economic prosperity have made giant leaps, illustrating daily how space affects our lives and showing us that life on Earth would not be the same without space exploration.

If it weren't for space science research, meteorologists wouldn't be able to track the precise paths of killer storms that regularly threaten people here on the Gulf Coast.

We would not have wireless communications or satellite television. Some deadly heart ailments would go undiagnosed and untreated.

Firefighters would not benefit from advances in equipment like the "Jaws



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of Life" that help save lives and property. Cordless power tools, computer bar codes, smoke detectors and quartz watches all originated from NASA research. NASA will continue to work on improvements in these fields and many others to ensure our health and pre-eminence as a nation.

Recognizing that machines, with their intelligence, and people, with their judgment, need each other in space, NASA will refocus its efforts in robotics research to fulfill the President's space exploration mission. Robotic exploration, like what we are seeing by the two rovers roaming the Martian surface, is just the beginning.

More robots will blaze trails to help us establish a sustained presence on planets across the solar system.

NASA intends to conduct this man-and-machine approach to the exploration of the Moon, Mars and beyond in a methodical and financially responsible manner.

Money spent on the space program stimulates our economy by providing jobs and developing commercial applications for space-driven technologies. The current and projected budget of NASA will remain less than 1 percent of the federal

budget.

We will invite others in our journey, soliciting the partnership of other nations, engaging them in commercial ventures to promote economic and scientific interests. We will develop technologies, accumulate knowledge and build infrastructures to support decisions about further exploration.

We will perpetuate America's legacy of exploration. This country was forged from one of the greatest voyages of discovery in human history and it has continued to engender the spirit of exploration in its sons and daughters - people like Orville and Wilbur Wright, Charles Lindbergh, Amelia Earhart, Chuck Yeager, Sally Ride and Neil Armstrong. We will inspire a new generation of students to study math, science, engineering and technology. We will remove the terrestrial limits on their aspirations.

President Bush's vision for America's space program links our future to our past. It provides us a doable, affordable means to maintain our leadership in space exploration and technology innovation.

It improves our lives and lifts our national spirit.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Q. Donaldson  
V, Center Director  
NASA Stennis Space Center

Admiral Thomas Q. Donaldson V, USN (Ret.) has served as center director of NASA Stennis Space Center (SSC) since Jan. 5, 2004. SSC is where all Space Shuttle Main Engines are tested and proven flight-worthy.

For three years prior to joining NASA, Donaldson was Commander of the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command headquartered at SSC.

## PTO holds Lenten food drive

The Bay Catholic P.T.O. is sponsoring a Lenten Food Drive to replenish the dwindling stock of Hancock County Food Pantry.

The Hancock County Food Pantry serves only residents of Hancock County by providing temporary grocery supplies to families and individuals in times of hardship.

Anyone that is a resident of Hancock County and can demonstrate a need may benefit from the Food Pantry, but it's mostly older people on fixed incomes and families that call on the Food Pantry for help.

When an individual or family asks for help, they will receive 7-10 days of groceries. What they get is

based on a sample menu planned. Items that can be used for a meal are especially useful, including powdered or canned milk. During the Fall holiday season, the Hancock County Food Pantry gets many donations. However, during the spring, the supplies are getting low and they need your help.

Donations may anything that is not immediately perishable and does not need refrigeration. Suggestions include: Powdered milk (dire need); evaporated milk (dire need); rice; pasta; dry beans; canned goods, especially those that can be used as meals; chili; soup; tuna; ravioli/spaghettios; beans; canned vegetables; flour;

baking mix; peanut butter; jelly; grits; oatmeal; macaroni and cheese; and ramen noodles.

Also, the Hancock County Food Pantry tries to include some of the following items with the grocery supply: laundry detergent; hand soap; dishwashing liquid; and toilet paper.

Items may be dropped off at the school at 301 South Second Street anytime between now and April 2. Students will have an opportunity to earn service hours by helping sort the food in preparation for pick-up during the week of April 5. The service opportunity is being sponsored by Ms. Lassabe's second grade class.

## PASS ART ASSOCIATION NEWS

Lori Gordon was the guest speaker at the Pass Christian Art Association's monthly meeting on Saturday, March 20.

Gordon spoke to members and guests about the services in photo restoration and enhancement she is offering through Bayou Digital Imaging out of Bay St. Louis.

The artist showed the audience examples of her work in photo restoration and explained how old, faded or damaged photos can be "repaired" without affecting the original photograph. The owner's photograph is scanned into her

computer, where Gordon uses a program to remove dust and scratches, repair tears, and enhance contrast in faded images.

Gordon also discussed the ways in which she can assist artists in promoting their own work through the use of artistic postcards. These can be used to advertise upcoming shows and exhibits, or as a means to get the artists' work in the public eye. The artists' image is scanned into Gordon's computer, where she resizes it and adds the appropriate text. The resulting card can then be sent to a company where they are

reproduced en masse. Alternatively, the artist can take the card to a local source for reproduction.

The Pass Christian Art Association meets every third Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Pass Christian Public Library. Next month's guest will be Richard Haugh, a Gulfport artist who will share his experiences in working with colored pencil and artists' crayons. The public is invited to attend.

For more information, contact Charles Stott of the Pass Christian Art Association at 228-255-1463.

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Ouida's new career in 1999.

The intersection of their lives has been made a chapter in a forthcoming book by Atlanta Journal-Constitution reporter John Blake, entitled "Children of the Movement," published by Lawrence Hill Books of Chicago.

Blake evidently discovered Ross Barnett's daughter was teaching in the same black high school as Moses when he did his research for a chapter on Moses and his daughter, Maisha. He reveals some previously unknown opinions of Ouida's reflecting a sharp break with her father's segregationist beliefs.

Blake writes that when Ross Barnett's massive resistance to admission of James Meredith to Ole Miss in 1962 precipitated bloody violence on the university campus, Ouida still supported her father's position.

"At the time I did," Blake quotes Ouida as saying, "I grew up that way. We thought it would wreck the schools if they were integrated."

But her views on the segregation culture began to change in the 1970s after her marriage to the late Homer, LA lawyer Ross Atkins collapsed (after five children), Blake writes. She expanded her circle of friends, indulged her passion for travel and earned a master's degree in ancient world history.

Travel and exposure to different cultures helped her break with her former racial prejudices, Ouida

tells Blake.

"You could always see she was out there searching for something new, and different in her life," her son, Ross Barnett Atkins, now a Washington lobbyist, says of his mother in the Blake account.

She may have freed herself from her father's segregationist dogma, but as this writer recalls from a scathing late-night phone call from her in the early 1980s, Ouida can be highly protective of the late governor if a journalist writes anything she views as critical of him.

(An attempt by this writer to reach her by telephone to discuss the Blake book was unsuccessful.)

Blake writes in his forthcoming book that Ouida rejects the notion many commentators have expressed over the years that Ross Barnett was a racist. She insists, Blake adds, that while her father was a self-admitted segregationist, by her definition he was not racist.

As for Bob Moses, Blake accurately characterizes the aura, the mystique, which until today surrounds the imprint the scholarly, one-time Harlem kid has made on the history of Mississippi, both in the 1960s civil rights struggle and now as an extraordinary algebra teacher.

My own recollection of Moses goes back to 1961 when I met him in a dank, dusty upstairs room above the Masonic Lodge in McComb's Burgland community, then his base for a

danger-filled voter registration campaign in surrounding Southwest Mississippi.

Moses survived head bashing and arrests by hostile officials in Amite County, but two local blacks he enlisted to work with him -- Herbert Lee and Louis Allen -- were shot to death and their killers were never charged or prosecuted.

As was evident in Moses, remarks recently when he was an honoree in a ceremony here marking black achievements in Mississippi over the past half-century, Bob Moses is yet haunted by a nagging sense of responsibility for their deaths.

Moses had conceived the idea of the Mississippi Freedom Summer of 1964, as well as the Freedom Democratic Party challenge of the state's all-white regular delegation at the Democratic National Convention the same year.

Those two events focused unprecedented national attention and news coverage on Mississippi's tightly-segregated society and became the launching pad for blacks gaining political clout in the state.

Think of this, for a moment: the quiet black genius who played a key role in toppling white supremacy in Mississippi and the daughter of the man who triggered an insurrection to preserve it, now jointly help blacks break the bonds of educational deprivation.

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## Happy Birthday to the GSA



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Girl Scouts of America celebrated its 92nd birthday on March 12, 2004. Happy Birthday Girl Scouts! This month, over 3.8 million girls and adults across the globe celebrate the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Ninety-two years ago, Juliette Gordon Low made her historic phone call to her cousin, Nina Pope, "Come right over! I've got something for the girls of Savannah, and all of America!" Today, Girl Scouts continue to play a significant role in the lives of girls and in American history. In honor of Girl Scout Week, which ended on March 13, the Bay-Waveland Service Unit hosted a Badge and Try-It workshop for Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts. Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts helped the adult volunteers run the booths. The 60 plus Girl Scouts earned badges about safety, first aid, child care and healthy habits. Many thanks to those in the community that contributed to the event: Our Lady of the Gulf, the Bay St. Louis Fire Department and Police Department, Diamondhead Dental Clinic and Hancock Medical Center.

## Charles B. Murphy librarian receives national recognition

Renaissance Learning, Inc. recently announced Jeanne Brooks, librarian at Charles B. Murphy Elementary in Pearlinton, has been cited for outstanding support of reading education. The Madison, WI based company awarded Reading Renaissance Model Library certification to Brooks for her efforts to support Reading Renaissance methods that have resulted in measurable increases in student reading performance in the school.

To receive Reading Renaissance Model Library certification, librarians must document that their practices encourage student access to a wide variety of books, as well as supporting reading practice and self-directed learning. In addition, the librarian must be

actively working with individual students to meet Renaissance-recommended standards for reading achievement. For this accomplishment, Charles B. Murphy Elementary will receive national recognition, a merchandise certificate for \$50, and a discount on educational staff development opportunities.

Renaissance Learning, Inc. is a leading provider of school improvement programs through research-based software products, teacher training, and consulting. Adopted by nearly 62,000 schools, these software products include Accelerated Reader, Accelerated Math, STAR Reading, STAR Math, STAR Early Literacy, Accelerated Grammar, and others.

## Project PRINTS now in new location

Project PRINTS, early intervention program of South Mississippi Regional Center, Long Beach, announced the new location of its Hancock County site. Formerly on Lower Bay Road in Lakeshore, the program is now located at 4430 Pacific Street, Bay St. Louis.

Pacific Street intersects Waveland-Kiln Cutoff Rd behind the Citgo station on Highway 603. According to Kristi Finehout, SMRC's early intervention program director, "the Hancock County program has been operating since 1995, serving children from Bay St.

Louis, Waveland, Lakeshore, Clermont Harbor, Kiln, and surrounding communities."

For information about Project PRINTS of Hancock County, phone 228-466-0926 or the Early Intervention Administration Office at 228-867-1434.

## Dixie Softball World Series Executive Board announced

### THE SEA COAST ECHO

Mayor Eddie Favre has announced that the following volunteers have been appointed to serve as the 2004 Tim Neely Hancock County Classic, Dixie Softball Angels World Series, executive board. Lonnie Falgout will serve for a second year as tournament director, also appointed to the board were Tish Haas Williams, Matt Capo, Gerald Rigby, Leland Gaston and Judge James A. Lagasse. Kelly Blanchard will serve as the board's secretary.

"Bay Saint Louis is very grateful for the generosity of time and expertise that these volunteers will bring to the organization and presentation of the tournament for the hundreds of players and visitors planning to attend," said Mayor Favre.

Committee chairmen are Darren Lorganger, Casino Magic, lodging; Beth Carriere, Mississippi's West Coast - Hancock County, visitor information; Bay Saint Louis Sports Complex rep-

resentatives are Public Works Director Ron Vanney and Parks and Recreation Director Gus McKay; Corporate Relations, Harold "Buz" Olsen, Bay St. Louis; Community Relations, Tish Williams, HC Chamber; Opening Ceremonies, Tina Falgout, Grand Casino, Gulfport, Debbie Murphy, Dixie Softball, Inc.; Judy and Tommy Brooks, BB's BBQ and Fire Chief Robert Gavagnie, beach party and fireworks display; team hosts, programs and merchandise coordinator, Kelly Blanchard, Assistant Chief Dave Stepro, Bay PD, Hancock County Sheriff Steve Garber and Lt. Mike Prendergast, Waveland PD, will coordinate security.

Advisory board members include: City of Bay Saint Louis, Barbara Redding, Gus McKay and Mike Cuevas; Tina Falgout, Grand Casino, Gulfport, tournament treasurer and Beth Carriere, Mississippi's West Coast - Hancock County.

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## Historic preservation ordinance

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ken opponent of the pending city ordinance. In one exchange Tuesday night, Kane warned that the preservation system should not be under the strict control of "technocrats who are all historic preservation zealots."

He, Basil Kennedy and Chuck Breath drafted the controversial alternative plan that was the target of Gray's wrath. Despite all the hot words and heated emotions, Kane accepted Gray's offer to meet and try to hammer out their differences.

Now seven years in the making, the embattled document remains a work in progress after the public hearing. And another decade of may pass before anything is put on the books officially, council president Doug Seal said.

Proponents, opponents, and council members seeking a middle ground that will please everyone, agreed Tuesday only on the broad concept that the Bay has a treasure trove of historic properties. Whether they should be protected by laws or by the voluntary consen-

sus of property owners, however, remains in debate. Council agreed Tuesday to hold a further workshop with all parties, and hash out what - if anything - will be cast into a new law.

In addition to the Kane alternative proposal being aired, one council member who has been very active in drafting compromises in the proposed preservation system, had yet another one on the table Tuesday. At-large council member Bill Taylor is circulating language from a California city's preservation ordinance which requires a majority approval among property owners before a historic district could be created.

Plans to create any preservation regulations have amounted to a huge political hot potato in recent years. Periodically, council has shelved consideration of ordinance ideas altogether.

Tuesday, the public hearing was to center on a proposal that had been hammered out by an official preservation study committee, headed by Gray. The plan has been debated and amended by council, correct-

ed by legal counsel, and blessed by state historic preservation officials.

But it has been assailed by some local interests who see it as a taking of property rights. Even Gray admitted Tuesday that the proposal would unfairly regulate such matters as vegetation plantings.

In addition, there appeared to be some mutual concern over the composition of the seven-member panel that would be appointed by council to serve as the commission.

Even if and when council enacts the ordinance, it would have no effect until official historic districts are put into place.

At that point, the commission would have authority over the appearance of new construction, demolitions in the districts, and over exterior alterations to structures.

Appeals of commission decisions could be made to City Council, which would have final say in disputes. Paint colors would be exempt from regulation as would interior alterations.

Kane said his "compro-

mise" proposal is "a very viable alternative" to the pending document, because it would give landowners the opportunity to hear preservation committee recommendations - without being subject to dictates.

Gray said a voluntary system would work with some property owners, but it would leave the door open for unsightly and inappropriate new construction, hotels, high rise condominiums and "God knows what" in the historic district.

One woman said she would welcome the suggestions of a preservation commission. "But I should be able to do as I please," she added.

Seal, meanwhile, said he has been reading the pending ordinance repeatedly and making notes on questionable points. "We're going to get it right if it takes 10 more years," said Seal, who represents Ward 1.

Marlene Johnson spoke repeatedly on behalf of the Historical Society and lauded the time and effort that Gray has put into the preservation ordinance proposal. "Our whole heart is in

this," said Johnson.

Gray stressed that he's willing to work with the opponents on details that they find disturbing. But, he said at one point, the ordinance should be a protection vehicle for historic properties, rather than rental agencies, bankers and developers.

Pat Dickenson said the proposed ordinance simply has too many restrictions. "We'd have to go to City Council if we wanted to plant roses," she said. Gray agreed that the ordinance shouldn't regulate plants.

Council members said they were pleased to see the turnout for Tuesday's hearing, the second that council has held on the topic. Bay St. Louis has 576 structures listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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## Hodge -- homeless

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temporary home in a local hotel. In a corner of the bathroom, his entire wardrobe hung from four or five hangers. He had used the \$100 the Red Cross gave him to purchase the new clothes. On a desk sat a few groceries, Hodge said he bought some of those with his disability money, which he has received since the age of 18 when his father died.

With his home uninsured, Hodge must now rely upon the kindness of others. Brice Phillips, a disc jockey at WQRZ in Hancock

County, has helped Hodge since the fire, which remains under investigation.

"I met Charlie in a coffee shop about 10 years ago," Phillips said. "He has a heart of gold."

A donation fund has also been set up at Hancock Bank, where donations can be made at any branch.

Despite these efforts, Hodge's future remains unstable.

"At present, I have no idea what I'm going to do," he said with a sad smile.

Unfortunately, this was

not Hodge's first time to lose a home.

In late September 2002, Tropical Storm Isidore flooded his trailer, destroying everything he owned. He spent his time in hotels and homeless shelters until the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) could help him.

"FEMA gave me just enough money to get another trailer," he said. "Month by month, I got what I needed."

He moved into the new trailer around March or April of 2003. Slowly, Hodge

acquired clothing, furniture and other necessities he had lost. Once again, he faces an uncertain future and only hope for the best.

Hodge, who turns 57 in July, will stay in his hotel room provided by the Red Cross until tomorrow.

"Then from there," he said, "I don't know."

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## Murder -- shallow grave

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vided flood lights for the night work."

Of the two murder victims, one was a man who had heavy tattoos and was estimated to be in his forties; and the other was a woman who investigators estimated to be in her thirties or forties.

Hurt said investigators have a tentative identification on the male victim, but are awaiting results that

was being performed yesterday afternoon by medical examiner Dr. Paul McGarry.

On Monday afternoon, two small piles of dirt could be seen on the sides of the shallow grave site where sheriff's investigators had sifted the soil to check for any possible clues.

The property is located off Lower Bay Road East of Clermont Boulevard.

Investigators André Fizer

and Tom Roan and leading the investigation of the murders, Hurt said.

Anyone with any information on missing people who match the descriptions of the victims - or anyone with possible information on the murders - is urged to contact the sheriff's office at 228-467-5101, or 601-798-8555.

## New Mississippi Sound museum opens Saturday

### THE SEA COAST ECHO

The grand opening for the Mississippi Sound Historical Museum will be Saturday, March 27 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The museum is located in the historic and newly renovated Carnegie Library Building, circa 1914, in downtown Gulfport at 1300 24th Avenue.

The museum has been established to tell the vital story of the Mississippi Sound and its influence on the development of South Mississippi.

Its waterways were used by explorers, settlers, soldiers and industry as a main highway for transport of goods and people. The museum has exhibits that interpret the industries of

the forest, such as naval stores and timber, vital to shipbuilding and building construction. Many of these forest products were shipped out worldwide from the Mississippi Sound. Seafood schooners, sailing luggers, and other working watercraft are interpreted, as well as a small sailing cypress skiff built by Michael Broussard, of Henderson Point to honor the popular skiff of the early 1900s.

The Mississippi Sound Maritime Historical Foundation is a 501 C 3 organization (for tax-deductible donations) that oversees the museum. The foundation also will have a community sail training program, and that site is at

the Gulfport harbor near the Ship Island Ferry landing. It is currently under construction.

The public is invited to celebrate the grand opening of the museum, which will be open free for guided tours on March 27. Memberships, beginning at \$25 for individuals, will be available. Artifacts and monetary donations for continuing expansion of the museum exhibits are welcome.

Beginning March 30, the museum will be open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The foundation executive director is Gulfport native David Andre' who can be reached at the museum at 863-5998.

## Kindergarten Open House at North Bay & Waveland Elementary Schools

Open House for students entering kindergarten in August, 2004, will be held at North Bay Elementary and Waveland Elementary on Tuesday, March 30, 5:30-6:30. Please attend open house at the school your child will attend in August. Children

must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2004, in order to enter kindergarten in August, 2004. Please call the school office if you have questions or need additional information. North Bay 467-4757, Waveland Elementary 467-6630.

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# Obituaries

**ELVA BURAN**  
**JOHN COOLEY SR.**  
**SHARON**  
**ARNOLD-ELLIS**  
**ZELIDA FERRELL**  
**LT. COL. THOMAS**  
**GILBERT JR.**  
**HILTON NECAISE**  
**LANELL SLOCUM**  
**ADA MAE SMITH**  
**LEO STOLF**

**ELVA BURAN**  
 Elva Ladner Buran, of Lakeshore, died Tuesday, March 23, 2004 in Bay St. Louis.

She was a native and longtime resident of Lakeshore, MS. She was of the Methodist Faith and a member of the Clermont Harbor United Methodist Church. She was a charter member of the Republican Women Association Retired Federal Employee Association.

She is preceded in death by her son, Kermit L. Strong, parents, Daniel and Sophie Ladner; 6 brothers, Steve Ladner, Jack Ladner, Frank Ladner, Elvin "Buck" Ladner, Norbit Ladner, Lester Haverty, Sr., 2 sisters, Lillian Ladner, Krankey and Lillian Miller Kenny.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, June Pullen Strong of Lakeshore, MS and numerous great nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The visitation will be held on Friday, March 26, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. The prayer service will follow at noon.

Burial will follow at Lakeshore Cemetery in Lakeshore, MS.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the Humane Society, P.O. Box 2273, Bay St. Louis, MS 39521.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

**JOHN COOLEY SR.**  
 John Houston Cooley Sr., 61, of Waveland, MS, died Saturday, March 20, 2004 in Pass Christian.

He was a native of Richton, MS and a longtime resident of Waveland, MS for the past 30 years. He was of the Baptist Faith.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Loretta Cooley; father, Howard Cooley; brother, James Cooley.

Survivors include his son, John Cooley, Jr. of Covington, LA; mother,

Dorothy Cox Cooley of Waveland, MS; 4 sisters, Cynthia Odom of Waveland, MS; JoAnn Angerson of Metairie, LA; Betty Trivica of Kiln, MS; and Linda Necaise of Kiln, MS.

Services were held on Tuesday, March 23, 2004 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. Interment followed at CoCo cemetery in Kiln, MS.

Edmond Fahey was in charge of arrangements.

**SHARON**  
**ARNOLD-ELLIS**  
 Sharon Darlene Arnold-Ellis, 43, of Bay St. Louis, MS died Thursday, January 8, 2004 in Midland, MI.

She was a native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of Bay St. Louis, MS since 1977. She was a cook. She was of the Baptist Faith and a member of the Shoreline Park Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her son, Robert Lee Arnold; father, William "Jimmy" Rihner.

Survivors include her son, James Arnold of N.C.; mother, Frances Rihner of Bay St. Louis, MS; brothers, Jon Baham of Gransomon, AZ; and Lance Rihner of Bay St. Louis, MS; sister, Pamela Shuff of New Orleans, LA; grandson, William Robert Arnold of N.C.; granddaughter, Katelyn Arnold of N.C.

A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, March 28, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Shoreline Park Baptist Church in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Family prefers memorials to: American Cancer Society, 417 Security Square, Gulfport, MS 39507.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

**ZELIDA FERRELL**  
 Zelida Louise Ferrell, 75, of Waveland, MS died Tuesday, March 23, 2004 in Pass Christian, MS.

She was a native and lifelong resident of Waveland, MS. She was of the Catholic Faith and a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland, MS.

She is preceded in death by a son, Louis Ferrell; parents, Vital L. and Ida Bourgeois; 2 brothers, John A. Ladner and Elliott M. Ladner; 4 sisters, Edith Moore, Inez Caro, Bernice Schmidt and Margaret

Carey.

She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Humphrey Lee Ferrell of Waveland, MS; 2 sons, Ronald Ferrell of Waveland, MS; Orville Ferrell of Waveland, MS; 2 daughters, Jacqueline "Jackie" Ferrell Hinkkanen of Waveland, MS; Gwendolyn Ferrell Price of Waveland, MS; brother, Vital Bourgeois of Kenner, LA; sister, Mabel Mitchell of Pass Christian, MS; 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, March 25, 2004 from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. with Recitation of the Rosary at 8:00 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS.

The Prayer Service will be held on Friday, March 26, 2004 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery & Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Edmond Fahey was in charge of arrangements.

**LT. COL. THOMAS**  
**GILBERT JR.**

Lt. Col. Thomas H. Gilbert Jr., 86, of Pass Christian, died 2/7/04. Service: 10:45 a.m., 3/25/04, Ft. Myers Chapel. Burial: Arlington National in Arlington, VA. Bradford-O'Keefe, Gulfport is in charge.

**HILTON NECAISE**  
 Mr. Hilton L. Necaise, 60, of Biloxi, MS, died Monday, March 22, 2004, in Biloxi.

Mr. Necaise was born and raised in Pass Christian and had been a lifelong resident of the Gulf Coast. He was a member of Cedar Lake United Methodist Church in Biloxi.

Mr. Necaise was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Lena Necaise and four brothers, Joseph "Joe" Necaise, Kermit Necaise, Charles Necaise and E. J. Necaise.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Necaise of Biloxi; three daughters, Crystal Ross of D'Iberville, Andrea Wheat of Slidell, LA and Mary Necaise of Biloxi; one son, William "Doug" Necaise of Mobile, AL; two brothers, Bobby Necaise and Dale Necaise, both of Pass Christian and five grandchildren.

Visitation will be Wednesday, March 24, 2005, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Howard Avenue Chapel of Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral

Homes in Biloxi. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Cedar Lake United Methodist Church where friends may visit one hour before service time. Burial will follow in Floral Hills Memorial Gardens in Gulfport.

The family prefers memorials be made to the American Heart Association, P. O. Box 638, Gulfport, MS 39502 or to the American Lung Association of MS, P. O. Box 9865, Jackson, MS 39286.

**LANELL SLOCUM**  
 Lanell Price Slocum, 74, of Bay St. Louis, MS died Friday, March 19, 2004 in Bay St. Louis, MS.

She was a native of New Orleans, LA and a longtime resident of Waveland, MS. She was a homemaker. She was a Protestant.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Nellie Yarbrough Price, Sr.; brother, Buck Price; grandson, Joey Slocum.

Survivors include her husband, Ernest Slocum of Bay St. Louis, MS; a son, David Slocum, Sr. of Bay St. Louis, MS; daughter, Carolyn Delle of Slidell, LA; brother, Wesley Price of Waveland, MS; sister, Lloa Price Beard of Gulfport, MS; 2 grandchildren, David Slocum, Jr. and Josh Slocum; and 4 great grandchildren.

Services were held on Tuesday, March 23, 2004. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery at Rotten Bayou in Kiln, MS.

Riemann Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

**ADA MAE SMITH**

Services will be held at 3 p.m., Wednesday, March 24, 2004 at Smith Family Cemetery for Ada Mae Taylor Smith, 70, of Perkinston, who died Sunday, March 21, 2004. Rev. Allen will officiate. Interment will be in Smith Family Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 1-3 p.m., prior to service, Wednesday, March 24, 2004. She was a member of Barth Community Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy Lee and Annie Taylor; brothers, Vincent Taylor, Leroy Taylor and Bill Taylor.

She is survived by her husband, Randol Smith of Hancock County; children,

Kenneth R. Campos of Poplarville, Miss., Manuel Campos of Brazoria, Texas, James Campos, Paul Campos and Theresa Holliman, all of Hancock County; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; sister, Bertha Blondiau of Gretna, La. and brother, Earnest Bo Taylor of Biloxi.

White Funeral Home in Poplarville is in charge of arrangements.

**LEO STOLF**

Leo D. Stolf, 70, died Sunday, March 21, 2004, at his residence in Diamondhead surrounded by his family.

Private services to be held. Riemann Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis, is in charge.

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## Passion Week schedule, April 4-12

**THE SEA COAST ECHO**  
 The First Baptist Church of Bay St. Louis, has announced its schedule of activities for the Passion week of April 4-12, 2004. These activities will begin on Palm Sunday (April 4, 2004) with a special day of events that will be held at the Gulfshore Baptist Assembly which is located in Pass Christian. The worship service will begin at 11 AM and will be followed by a dinner-on-the-ground and games during the afternoon. There will not be services at the church's location at 141 Main Street, Bay St. Louis on Sunday, April 4.

On Good Friday, April 9, 2004, and Saturday, April 10, 2004, there will be a dramatic presentation of the Crucifixion. Both presentations will begin shortly after

sunset each day. On April 11, 2004 the Easter Sunday schedule will begin with a county wide sunrise service sponsored by the Hancock County Ministerial Alliance on the front lawn of First Baptist Church of Bay St. Louis. Part of this service will be a dramatic presentation of the resurrection. The sunrise service will begin at 7 AM.

Following the Sunrise service First Baptist Church will have a special Sunday schedule. There will be three morning services to celebrate the resurrection. These services will begin at 8:30, 9:30, and 10:30 AM. There will also be a Sunday Evening worship beginning at 6 PM.

Everyone is encouraged to attend their place of wor-

ship in celebration of the resurrection. Everyone is also invited to join us in one or more of our opportunities of worship.

### Peace Rosary planned at Our Lady of the Gulf

Our Lady of the Gulf's Parish Peace Rosary is set for Friday, April 2, at 7 p.m. The event will observe prayer for peace within families and the world.

The service will include the chaplet of Divine Mercy and readings from Sister Faustina's Diary, and also Our Lady's Rosary

### Knights of Peter Claver Lenten catfish dinners

The Knights & Ladies of Peter Claver will sponsor fried catfish dinners on Friday, March 26 and April 2, under the St. Rose Church Pavilion. Plates will be available for lunch and dinner for a \$5 donation. Dine in or carry out. For delivery, call 669-4400 or 467-1651.

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# BUSINESS NEWS

## Firefighters to participate in train emergency program

Bay St. Louis Fire Chief Robert Gavagnie is arranging for six Bay firefighters to attend Passenger Train Emergency Response course in May, in Meridian. "There will be no curriculum costs for the city for this 40 hour course designed to train first responders in rescue techniques when passenger trains are involved," said the Chief.

Amtrak travels through Bay St. Louis three days each week, stopping at the local depot when passengers need to depart or debark. The Chief went on to say, "It

is important that we learn all of the latest techniques in rescue in this specialized situation. This is not just rope rescue or confined space class, but a specialized class in techniques that are make even more difficult by the train itself."

The program will include passenger train equipment familiarization, including types of coaches, construction of coaches, locomotives and propulsion systems. Roles and responsibilities of regulatory agencies including federal regulations and railroad responsibilities will

be studied along with case studies.

Students will learn how to establish or participate in a unified incident command system. There will be hands on evolutions including search and rescue, forcible entry, extrication/evacuation, locomotive fires, confined space entry, rope rescue and stabilization of passenger coaches.

In addition there will be a full-scale disaster drill, critical incident stress debriefing, course review and final examination.

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Southeastern Transportation Safety Center, now managed solely by the City of Meridian Department of Homeland Security, is the only place in the country offering this course, and have a full size de-railed Amtrak train for training purposes. The course brings together all disciplines of emergency personnel from law enforcement, emergency medical staff, EMT's, paramedics, hospital staff and fire service personnel. Emergency management and governmental officials are also

included to give them first hand knowledge of what could happen in their communities in the event of a passenger train derailment.

## Diamondhead business group meets today

The Diamondhead Business and Professional Association will meet today, Thursday, March 25 at 8:00 a.m. in the Diamondhead Country Club.

Guest speaker will be Pat Nichols, Plant Manager of DuPont Delisle. The company manufactures a whitening agent at the facility.

Business After Hours will be the same day at the Diamondhead Ramada, from 5-7 p.m. Co-hosts will be John White of Merrill Lynch Investments and Roger Jones, owner of the Ramada.

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## Baxter to serve as MYB treasurer

John Baxter has been selected to serve as treasurer of the governing body for a statewide banking organization. As treasurer, he will serve on the Executive Council of the Mississippi Young Bankers, a section of the Mississippi Bankers Association.

Baxter served as an at-large board member for the past two years, and prior to that, he represented his area of the state as a representative on the Executive Council.

Baxter was elected at the MYB's annual convention, held March 17-21 in Point Clear, Ala. MYB serves as the educational arm of the association, conducting programs for students around the state on topics such as saving, budgeting and more.

Baxter, who works at Hancock Bank in Gulfport, serves as vice president/manager of institutional banking and public depository for the bank's Gulf South market. He has worked at the bank for nine years, previously working in the bank's marketing and trust departments and as a branch manager.

Baxter earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Mississippi. He also completed the Cannon Financial Institute's Financial Sales school and the American Bankers Association's School of Bank Marketing. He is pursuing a degree from the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University, where he serves as vice president of his class.

Baxter is active in the community. He is a past president of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce. He is a graduate of Leadership-Gulf Coast and serves on its board of directors. The Sun Herald named him in 2003 to its Top 10 Under 40 Business Leaders list. Baxter also serves on the boards for the Hancock County Medical Center Foundation, the St. Stanislaus High School Alumni Association, and the Executive Committee of the Hancock County Chamber.

Baxter and his wife, Jeanne, have a 18-month-old son, William. They attend Our Lady of the Gulf Church.



### Contribution

Stephen Brown, left, Account Manager for BellSouth's Mississippi State Government accounts, and Rick Stewart, BellSouth Regional Manager, recently presented Pearl River Community College President Dr. William Lewis with a check for \$5,000. Donna Wilson Lee, Director of PRCC Development Foundation, and Dr. John Grant, PRCC Academic Dean, were also present for the event. The \$5,000 grant is part of a strategic BellSouth initiative to establish scholarship endowment funds in communities statewide.

## Bank promotes officers

Hancock Bank President and Chief Executive Officer George A. Schloegel has announced officer promotions recently approved by the Hancock Bank Board of Directors.

New Hancock Bank officers include:

**Kris L. Fridge** - Operations Officer. Float control analyst. Fridge joined Hancock Bank in 1998. The Prairieville, LA, native graduated from St. Amant High School in St. Amant, LA, and earned a bachelor of science degree in economics from Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, LA. Previously, he served Hancock Bank as a proof clerk and check processing department manager.

**Darlene Loose** - Operations Officer. Loose - a Hancock Bank PC/web applications specialist who served two years as senior webmaster - is a native of Beavercreek, OH, and currently resides in Saucier. She received her degree in office systems technology from Sinclair Community College in Dayton, OH, and has more than three years of direct experience in programming and website development. She has completed ARGO Data Systems Graphic User Interface (GUI) Customization Tools, Leadership School, and Pathways to Supervision curriculum through Hancock University. Hancock Bank's comprehensive training and professional development center.

**Karan Murrell** - Operations Officer. A mem-

ber of the Hancock Bank team since 1989, Murrell is the company's facilities administrator for One Hancock Plaza building management. The Biloxi resident attended Kilgore Junior College in Kilgore, TX, and received a degree in early childhood development from East Texas Baptist University in Marshall, TX.

**Debbie Radelat** - Operations Officer. A New Orleans native, Radelat attended Poplarville High School and received an associate degree in data processing from Pearl River Community College. She joined Hancock Bank in 2000 and has more than 11 years' experience in the financial services industry. Radelat is currently a systems specialist with the bank's programming department.

**Charles Roberts** - Operations Officer. Roberts began his Hancock Bank career five and one-half years ago after seven years as a regional information technology director for American Medical Response. Now a LAN/WAN specialist with Hancock's technical services division, he previously served as telecommunications manager and help desk/desktop services manager with Technical Services.

**Chris W. Ryals** - Operations Officer. Purvis native Ryals graduated from Purvis High School and received a bachelor of science degree in computer science and statistics from

the University of Southern Mississippi. He joined Hancock Bank during the company's 2001 acquisition of Lamar Bank. Currently a LAN/WAN specialist, Ryals previously served as Lamar Bank's systems administrator for three years.

**Chris Vaughn** - Trust Officer. Vaughn is a native of Picayune who graduated from Picayune High School and received a bachelor of science degree in accounting from the University of South Alabama in Mobile, AL. He currently serves as a trust administrator in the Hancock's trust department. Prior to joining Hancock Bank three years ago, he was a loan specialist and, later, an information analyst, with a major New Orleans financial institution.

Vaughn, a Diamondhead resident, volunteers with the American Cancer Society and Junior Achievement.

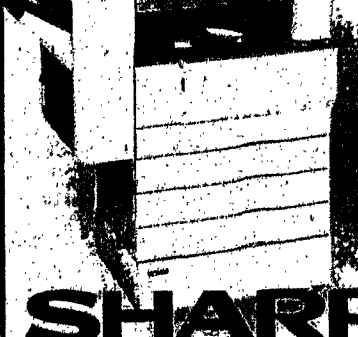
## 84 Lumber sets another record breaking year

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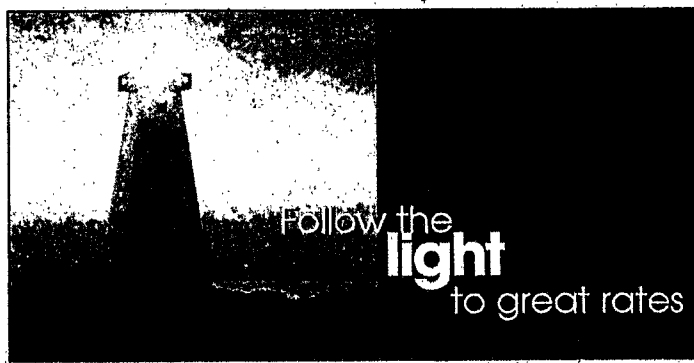
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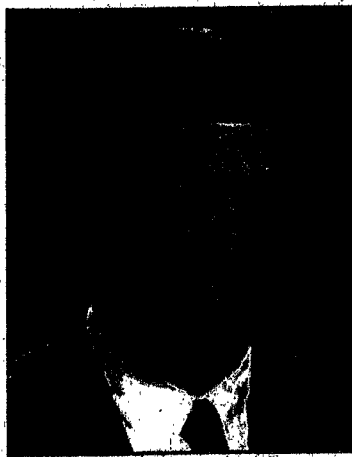
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Hancock High School Beta Club members attending State competition included: (first row, l to r) Karl Caple, President; Cherle Taylor, Scrapbook Chair; Chris White, Vice President; and Samantha Gregory, Member; (middle row, l to r) Kay Lovelace, Sponsor; KaKrisha Dedaux, Banner Chair; and Members Ashley Gipson, Heather Ladner, Hannah Harris, Phyllis Ladner and Bailey Lee; (back row, l to r) Members Andrew Almond, Khue Nguyen, Justin Mitchell and Hillary Pagano.

## HHS Beta Club goes to state

### THE SEA COAST ECHO

The Hancock High School Beta Club attended the annual Mississippi Beta Club Convention on February 27-28 in Biloxi.

With over 3,000 students in attendance from across the state, Hancock High Beta Club members received several top awards.

The individual awards included Samantha Gregory 1st Place in English and 7th Place in Senior Scholarship; Chris White 2nd Place in Social

Studies; Kate Sullivan 7th Place in Science; Andrew Almond 14th Place in Computer Applications; and Khue Nguyen 11th Place in Mathematics.

The Club also received 2nd Place Awards in Scrapbook, Banner and Public Service and 3rd Place for Project Preserve Sight in Mississippi. The members and sponsors Kay Lovelace and Tammy Ladner will travel to national competition in Atlanta, Georgia during June to compete for scholarships and to attend leadership workshops.

## Southern Miss Gulf Coast announces dean's list scholars

The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast Dean's List has been released for the 2003 fall session.

Listed students attended Southern Miss' Gulf Park campus in Long Beach or the Jackson County campus in Gautier.

The Dean's List includes full-time students with at least a 3.25 grade point average but less than a 4.0 GPA.

Students from the local area include:

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Steven David Spansel  
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Amy Lynn Barber  
Julie Christine Lanclos  
Laurie Scott Ladner  
Jan Marie Porche Corso

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Vickie Lynn Cuevas  
Pamela Brown Davillier  
Jay'Nell Ellen Ladner  
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Nicole Marie McDonald  
Heather K Brown  
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## TOPS MS 233 meets, announces winners

### TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY TOPS MS 233

TOPS, MS 233 met Tuesday, March 23, 2004 at the Waveland Methodist Church located on Central Avenue and Vacation Lane in Waveland, Ms.

TOPS best loser for the week was Mary with a loss of 2 1/4 lbs. KOPS best loser for the week was Rose. There were 6 members present. Gift was won by Rose. Incentive was won by Mary. Congratulations!

TOPS, MS 233 meets every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weight-in is from 5-5:30pm with the meeting following. Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS MS 233 chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Charlotte at 467-5790.

TOPS, MS 233 met Tuesday, March 16, 2004 at

the Waveland Methodist Church located on Central Avenue and Vacation Lane in Waveland, Ms.

KOPS best loser for the week was Rose. Youth best loser for the week was Stephon with a loss of 1-1/2 lbs. Congratulations!

We welcome 2 visitors, Charlene and Darlene. Welcome!

TOPS, MS, 233 meet every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weight-in is from 5-6 pm with the meeting following.

## Stanislaus students receive scholarships to Univ. of Mobile

Michael Kivlan and Robert Olsen, seniors at St. Stanislaus Preparatory High School, have each been awarded a \$8,000 University Scholarship to attend the University of Mobile.

Kivlan is the son of Andrew and Angela Kivlan of Bay St. Louis, Miss. Olsen is the son of Harold and Paula Olsen of Bay St. Louis, Miss.

The University Scholarship is awarded in recognition of the University of Mobile's goal of "Changing lives to Change the World."

Recipients are selected based upon their potential to be successful at the university and as a future graduate. The award is valued at \$2,000 per year (awarded over eight consecutive semesters) and is

renewable provided the recipient maintains a full-time student status of 15 hours per semester and a 2.00 grade point average. The scholarship includes a \$1,000 room-and-board grand, dependent upon living in the residence halls.

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## Pass aldermen resolve to seek \$2M bond issue

### BY SHANNON JENKINS Staff Writer

The Pass Christian Board of Aldermen recently continued with plans to borrow money to be prepaid from a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) bond issue from the new Wal-Mart SuperCenter.

On March 2, the board set an amount of \$2 million as one of the first steps of the TIF bond. During its most recent meeting on March 16, the board adopted the parameters of the bond resolution. In essence, the board approved the overall outline of the bond issue, which means the city will issue up to \$2 million in bonds with a life of no more than 15 years.

"These TIF bonds are essentially revenue bonds," said Janet Dudding, the city's comptroller. "They do not count as general obligation debt of the city, which

means that the city of Pass Christian has its entire bonding capacity available."

Dudding said the city has "zero general obligation debt on its books right now, leaving its entire bonding capacity of over \$8 million open."

"This pending TIF bond does not deplete that bonding capacity at all because it is not general obligation debt," she said.

Now, banks are bidding on the bonds, Dudding said. Once the bids are in, the city's bond attorney and financial advisor will make recommendations to the board.

The projects the board plans to finance are street improvements throughout the city, the construction of a new public works barn and the local match to two federal grants the city received to renovate the Randolph Multipurpose

Center.

In other business, the board accepted the resignation of school board member Doyle Moffett. The alderman and mayor then retreated into executive session to discuss the new school board appointee.

The board appointed Kevin Antoine with a 3-1 vote with Howard McKissack, Ward One, voting "no" and Michael Antoine, Ward Three, not voting.

Antoine will officially begin his five-year term during the April 13 school board meeting.

Mayor Billy McDonald, Chip McDermott (Alderman at Large), Howard McKissack (Ward One), Joseph Piernas (Ward Two), Michael Antoine (Ward Three) and Donald Moore (Ward Four) were all present.

## Locals attend American Legion Auxiliary workshop

American Legion Auxiliary Department of Mississippi Leadership Chairman Brenda Newell of Gautier conducted a workshop for the Jackson County Unit 160 at the Post Home in Pascagoula recently.

The history of the national Auxiliary was explained in detail and preparation of annual reports on the local level was emphasized. "The success of any organization depends largely upon the skill and competence of its leaders, and the American Legion Auxiliary is vitally concerned with developing

present and future leaders within its organization," Mrs. Newell said.

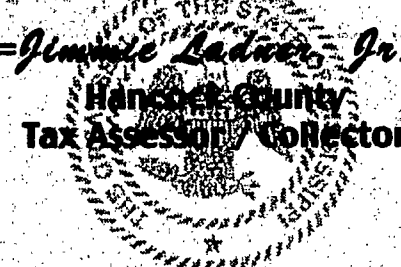
ALA Leadership Committee Member Diane Cantrell of Gautier assisted in the presentation of the workshop material. Phyllis Moran of Bay St. Louis, ALA Department of Mississippi Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Chairman presented the Field Service Orientation Course, instructing members on their responsibilities while volunteering in the four state veterans homes, veterans nursing homes and for

veterans living in the community.

Mrs. Newell, Mrs. Cantrell and Mrs. Moran earned their leadership instructor certification through comprehensive training courses offered by the Auxiliary that focus on fundamental management, communication skills and leadership responsibilities.

Nineteen auxiliaries representing Units in Pascagoula, Gautier, Bay St. Louis and Gulfport attended the workshop, to increase their enthusiasm for all Auxiliary programs.

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You must be living in your home on or before January 1, 2004 to qualify for homestead exemption.

The following information is needed to file your application.

- warranty deed
- cost of property (closing statement)
- down payment amount
- license plate numbers (you must have vehicles registered in Hancock County)
- drivers license

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- if you are over 65 proof of age
- if you are 100% disable proof of disability
- if you have automobiles registered in other state you must show reason
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You must re-file your homestead application only if one of the following changes took place during the year 2003.

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- you became 100% disable on or before January 1, 2004
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If you have any questions please feel free to call 228-467-4425 or 888-409-6651.

Jimmie Ladner Jr.  
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# McDonald is a 'Hero'

## THE SEA COAST ECHO

At 81, David N. McDonald still shows the same unselfish attitude that earned him a Bronze Star in the Battle of the Bulge. He has worked tirelessly over the last 30 years to improve Port Bienville and bring prosperity to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

In recognition of his accomplishments, McDonald will be honored as a Mississippi Ageless Hero at a March 30 awards luncheon at the Lake Terrace Convention Center in Hattiesburg. The featured speaker will be legendary NFL coach Don Shula.

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi sponsors the Mississippi Ageless Heroes program to recognize seniors who show that life after age 65 can be a time of activity, vitality and accomplishment. Each hero is a Mississippi resident who represents achievements in one of six categories: Community Involvement,

Creativity, Good Neighbor, Love of Learning, New Beginnings, and Vitality. Six heroes each are chosen from the northern, central and southern regions of Mississippi. Another six heroes represent the state as a whole.

A southern region honoree in the Community Involvement category, McDonald is involved in the Port and Harbor Commission of Hancock County, working to supply shipping income to the county and improve the overall industrial and commercial prosperity of the area. With McDonald's help, the Commission's airport is now poised to become a major regional player in air cargo.

With 30 years of service, McDonald is the longest serving member in the 40-year history of the Gulf Coast Economic Development Council, serving for the past 11 years as president. The Council named him Volunteer of the

Year in 1996. He also served as the Red Cross Disaster Chairman for Hancock County following Hurricanes Betsy and Camille.

McDonald has this advice for those that may dread growing older, "As long as you have energy enough, you ought not get out of things you have been in. Just because you get to be 65 or 70, doesn't automatically mean you should drop out."

McDonald was one of more than 400 senior citizens nominated for the seventh annual Mississippi Ageless Heroes program. Judges chose 24 nominees, ranging in age from 66 to 106.

The heroes' activities include ministering to the needy, pursuing advanced educational degrees, creating artwork and excelling in sports.

In honor of McDonald, Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi will donate \$500 to a charity of his choice.

# DuBuc starts here!



Echo staff photo by Bennie Shalbetter  
City officials, county officials, MDOT representatives, friends and neighbors helped to officially open the new the DuBuc Ln. bypass. When CSX closed the rail crossing at DuBuc Ln. the city of Waveland had to build a bypass for residents. They accomplished the job in 19 days.

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## Mike's Seafood & Pizza

Mike's Seafood & Pizza recently opened at the corner of Hwy 90 and Kiln Waveland Cutoff Road and are proud to offer their valued patrons some of the finest food on the Gulf Coast. All dishes are prepared with the highest quality, freshest ingredients available. The appetizers range from freshly shucked oysters on the 1/2 shell to a generous portion of delectable coconut shrimp.

The combination seafood platter is one of the best on the coast. It includes 8 butterfly shrimp, 8 oysters, a delicious stuffed crab and 2 catfish filets, all for an unbelievable \$10.95.

If your appetite is not quiet that hearty you should try the very popular house special basket. You will be served 8 shrimp, 3 oysters and 2 catfish strips along with french fries and bread

for only \$4.95!

The salads are fresh and crisp and include a delicious caesar salad. You can add chicken, shrimp or oysters to your salad for only \$2.00 more.

The po-boys are always a popular choice at Mike's. The shrimp, oysters and catfish are fried to a delicate golden brown and are piled generously atop fresh french bread.

A pizza is only as good as it's crust and Mike's pizza dough is made fresh daily and topped with their homemade marinara sauce and 100% mozzarella cheese. You may order your pizza your way or try one of Mike's specialty pizzas. Watching your carbs? Try Mike's wheat pizza, only \$9.95 plus \$1.00 per topping.

The calzones are stuffed with their homemade Sicilian white sauce and can be customized with your favorite stuffings.

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## Tax assessor gets 'flushed'



Pictured from left are David Mayley, co-chair of the Hancock County Relay for Life 2004, and Jimmie Ladner Jr., Hancock County assessor/collector.

Jimmie Ladner Jr., Hancock County assessor/collector, was the first recipient of the "Royal Flusher," compliments of David Mayley, Melanie Mitchell and David Jenkins.

Mayley and Mitchell are co-chairs for the American Cancer Society's Hancock County Relay for Life 2004; Jenkins is a volunteer.

The Royal Flusher, a beautifully decorated toilet that can be sent to your friends or foes by contacting The Psycho Babes from Hancock, a team registered in this year's Relay for Life Event, at 228-467-5486 or 228-671-9681. Be sure to ask for the Royal Queen.

In order to send or remove the Royal Flusher, the team requests a \$15 tax deductible donation to ACS. Royal Flusher insurance can be purchased for \$5 to guarantee that one's property will be protected from being flushed or re-flushed during this Flushing season. If someone has already been flushed this year, the team will be happy to forward the flusher for the discounted price of \$10.

## American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society would like to invite you, your co-workers, families and friends to join in the fight against cancer by participating on a team in the Hancock County Relay For Life.

This year's Relay is scheduled for Saturday, May 22, from noon to 6 a.m., and will once again take place on the Hancock County Walking Track, Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, in front of Hancock Medical Center.

All you need to do is recruit eight to 15 energetic, enthusiastic and fun members for a team. The cost is \$10 per team member which covers the price of the T-shirts for the team members. The goal is for each team member to raise a minimum of \$100 each. Incentive prizes are

offered to each team member who brings in \$175 or more. With the more you bring in, the better the prize selection becomes.

Besides putting your creative ideas and efforts together for a great cause, be prepared to have a fun-filled night for both kids and adults. Some entertainment has been lined up with some local dance groups, contests and games for all ages, along with some scrumptious food to be sold by some of the best cooks in the county.

To get signed up, contact David Mayley, chairman, 228-467-4336; Melanie Mitchell, chairwoman, 228-467-5486; Linda Graffeo, team recruitment, 228-209-6455; Lynn Cheramie, team recruitment, 228-586-2298.

## South Mississippi restaurants to offer food at Extravaganza

PRCC's annual event scheduled March 28

Seventeen restaurants from South Mississippi provide a grand smorgasbord for Pearl River Community College's 2004 17th annual River Extravaganza Sunday, March 28.

The restaurants will begin serving their specialties when the doors of the M.R. White Coliseum open at 5 p.m. Each restaurant will have its own booth on the gym floor of the 3,000-seat coliseum.

An auction is scheduled for 7 p.m. and the concert performance at 8:15.

The annual event, sponsored by the PRCC Development Foundation, will help the college raise money for student scholarships and faculty-staff development.

Those attending can browse and fill their plates as Dealer's Choice, a local band, performs on stage. After dinner, Dub "Paw Paw" Herring of Picayune, known around the South for his successful automotive and recreational vehicle businesses, will serve as auctioneer with Kelly Sanner of Hattiesburg assisting him. WLOX-TV news anchors Jeff Lawson and WDAM-TV's Sharon Whitley will serve as emcees.

Auction items include a Kawasaki motorcycle, NASCAR Talladega Weekend (motel room and tickets), Pati Banister painting, a child's play house, autograph items, picnic tables, grills and much more.

After the auction, there is a concert featur-

ing singer, songwriter and performer Ronnie McDowell, who last performed for the event in 2002.

"Ronnie is returning by popular demand," said Donna Wilson Lee, director of the sponsoring PRCC Development Foundation. "He loves The River, and we love him. He has become part of our family."

The new "Ronnie McDowell with Bill Pinkney's Original Drifters" album is the latest in a string of "theme" albums that McDowell has released during the past decade. Between 1993 and 1999, he issued a country dance CD, a gospel collection, an Elvis tribute CD and a Christmas record. All have been enthusiastically received by the loyal listeners in his 33 fan-club chapters nationwide.

"I was one of the fortunate few who was allowed to build a fan base," said McDowell. "Back then, they would give you time to build a career. Because I have kept that base, I can still work every weekend. Conway Twitty was my mentor. I started working with him in 1979. He said, 'Ronnie, if you want to save your voice and have longevity in this business, work two days a week and stay at home with your family the rest of the time.'"

"Over the long run, he was right. I've been working every weekend since 1979."

Extravaganza tickets are \$35 per person. PRCC student tickets are half-price and available

through the PRCC Foundation office.

Area restaurants have agreed to donate their food and their staff's day off to feed some 800 paying guests. More than 300 businesses and individuals will donate items for the auction segment of the event.

"The River Extravaganza is the ultimate example of what can be accomplished when volunteers work toward a common goal," said Lee.

"Every year is such a rewarding experience."

Restaurants at this year's Extravaganza will be: Bradford's Seafood, Pass Christian; Brandon House, Columbia; Chappy's, Long Beach; Don's Seafood Restaurant, Picayune; Grace & Illa's Restaurant, Bogalusa, La.; Debs' Star Pizza & Pasta, Poplarville; Sodexo, Poplarville; Southern Delights, Bay St. Louis; Western Sizzlin, Bogalusa, La.; Farmers Market, Hattiesburg; Ole Hickory BBQ, Angie, La.; Daddy O's Cafe, Waveland; Jody's Bakery & Caterie, Hattiesburg; Dockside Seafood, Picayune; J's Restaurant, Waveland; Ole South Buffet, Bogalusa, La.; and River Birch Restaurant, Poplarville.

The first 16 Extravaganzas have raised a total of \$775,000 from the private sector, including last year's total of \$65,000.

To order tickets or for more information, call 601-403-1183.

## Gulf Coast to celebrate Boys & Girls Club Week

Elected officials, community leaders and residents will celebrate the 3,000+ youth who have benefited from the work of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast March 28-April 3 during National Boys & Girls Club Week.

"This week-long celebration offers a series of special events that reach out to the community and illustrate the positive values and attitudes that Boys & Girls Club programming deliver," said Ann Bowden-Hollis, President. Selected special events include:

- Monday, March 29—History of Boys & Girls Club skits (4-6 p.m., Pass Christian Unit, 311 Clark Avenue); Club Clean-Up (Hancock County Unit, 400 North 2nd Street, Bay St. Louis).

- Tuesday, March 30—Alumni Day (Lundays Unit, 362 Lee Kerley Lane, East Biloxi).

- Wednesday, March 31—The BIG SWAP: Area youth will take on staff leadership roles in the club (Lundays Unit, 362 Lee Kerley Lane, East Biloxi); school & neighborhood clean-up (3-4 p.m., Popp's Ferry Unit, Biloxi).

- Thursday, April 1—"Salute to the Military" and

Toastmasters Competition (Lundays Unit, 362 Lee Kerley Lane, East Biloxi); Big Brother/Big Sister Day (Hancock County Unit, 400 North 2nd Street, Bay St. Louis).

- Friday, April 2—Parents vs. Kids Kickball Game (5-6 p.m., Popp's Ferry Unit, Biloxi); Walk for Life (4-6 p.m., Forest Heights Unit, Yother Lee Keys Park).

In addition, board members and staff will recognize area elected officials for their support by making presentations to the Boards of Supervisors in Harrison and Hancock Counties, Mayors & council members in the Cities of Biloxi, Gulfport, and Pass Christian, and Mayors of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

To get involved, citizens are encouraged visit an area club, volunteer their time or talents, or make a donation. For a full schedule of events or a list of Clubs in your community, call the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast at 228-374-2330 or visit [www.bgcgulfcoast.org](http://www.bgcgulfcoast.org). All clubs, with the exception of Hancock County, are open Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Hancock County club closes at 6:30 p.m.

## Gulf Coast Writers Assoc.

The Druthers Sisters, authors of "The Book of Druthers," will be the special guests of the Gulf Coast Writers Association at their next meeting on March 25 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at The Coffee House at 2511 13th Street Gulfport. The public is invited.

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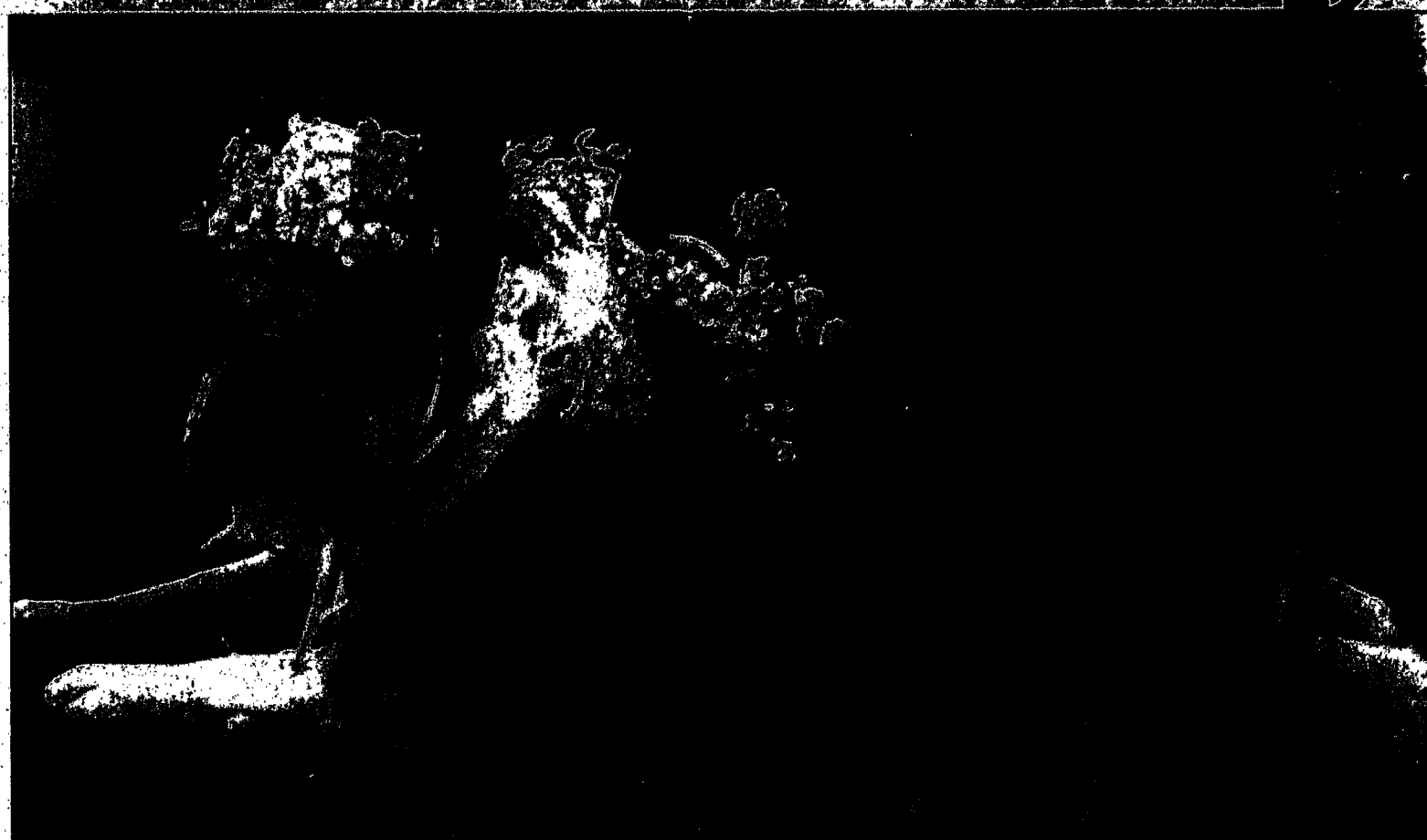
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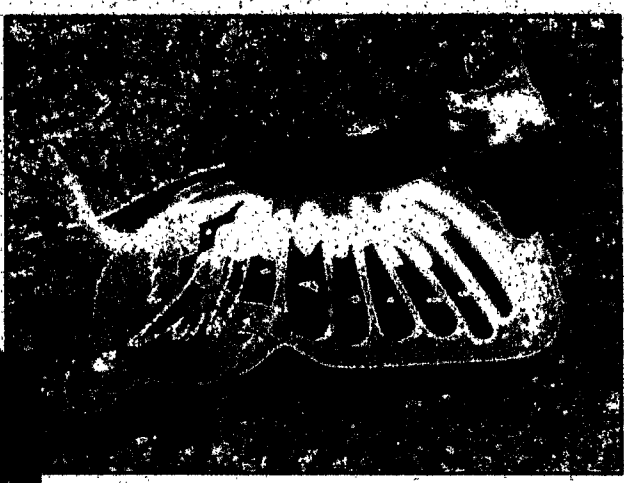


**I**t was a dog's life Saturday when the Friends of the Animal Shelter in Hancock County hosted their annual Paws on Parade Pet Parade & Festival at Veterans Memorial Park in Waveland; and the Humane Society of South Mississippi hosted its Paws in the Pass at War Memorial Park in Pass Christian.

The events raised both funds and awareness for both groups. If you missed out on the action Saturday, but still want to participate, you can send donations to or contact:

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Or contact the Humane Society of South Mississippi by calling Cynthia Tanner at 863-4394.

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# Sports

## Bay comes from behind to chomp Gators 7-4

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, the Bay High Tigers stepped back into the thick of things in the Division 8 Class 4A baseball ranks with a 7-4 come-from-behind win over the Gautier Gators.

This year the state will take the top four teams in each division in Class 4A for the baseball playoffs. The win improved the Tigers' record to 7-8 overall and 2-4 in the division. East Central leads Division 8 with a 6-0 mark followed by a two-way tie for second place between D'Iberville and Vancleave with identical records of 4-2. St. Stanislaus is next with a 3-3 tally followed by Pass Christian and Bay High at 2-4 and Gautier at 0-6.

After two complete innings, Bay High led and was in control 3-0; however, Gautier chipped away at the lead in the top of the third and fourth innings. After four complete innings, the score was 3-2 in favor of the Tigers.

Kyle Sick, who had pitched effectively throughout the game, was pulled in the top of the sixth for Cory Jordan. The Gators led off the sixth inning with a stand-up triple by Joseph Gresham that forced the pitching change.

Gerrod Miskell drew a walk and Lee Sims singled home Gresham to tie the score at 3-3. Miskell scored on a past ball to give the Gators a narrow 4-3 lead before Jordan retired the side.

In the bottom of the sixth inning, the Tigers came alive with some very aggressive baserunning. Ryan Dedeaux led off the frame with a triple and scored on a past ball to tie the score at 4-4.

David Buckley reached base after being hit by a pitch and eventually scored on a past ball to give the Tigers the lead for good at 5-4.

Cory Jordan reached on an error by the second baseman and scored on a past ball. Justin Cook became the second Tiger batter of the inning to reach base after being hit by a pitch. He scored on a sacrifice fly to centerfield by Robbie Pitre to make the final tally 7-4.

Bay High head coach Mike Weems stated, "We put some pressure on Gautier in the bottom of the sixth with some aggressive baserunning."

Kyle Sick pitched an effective game early on and Cory Jordan did a good job for us when he came in during the sixth inning. We knew this was a must win for us to remain in the hunt for the playoffs. We play Vancleave on Friday night and it will be a battle as it has been between these two teams the last few years."

Bay High lost to Vancleave in their first meeting of the year on the road 2-1 on an obstruction call in the bottom of the seventh inning. Game time Friday at Bay High Stadium is 7pm.

The area high school baseball and fast-pitch softball teams have been in action during the past week on the diamond with lots of favorable results.

On March 15th, the Pass Christian Lady Pirates (4-3, 3-0) defeated the Lady Tigers of Bay High 7-2 behind the arm of Amber Epperson (3-1). She struck out 13 batters en route to the win. Jeanie Sanders, Amanda Necaise, and Jessi Jenkins all had two hits for Pass Christian. Brittney Johnson was the losing pitcher for Bay High.

On March 16th, the Pirates (8-6, 2-3) fell to East Central (12-2, 5-0) in high school baseball 3-1. Dustin Allen was the losing pitcher and dropped his record to 2-3 on the season. He led the Pirates at the plate with a double and an RBI.

Also, on March 16th,

Amber Epperson improved to 4-1 overall as the Lady Pirates defeated Vancleave 3-2. The Lady Pirates improved to 5-3 overall and 4-0 in the division.

OLA defeated Sumrall 14-3 on Tuesday, March 16th, on Rachel Wright's 8 strikeouts. Jordan Fisher had two singles and a double for OLA at the plate. Ramie Barnes, Rachel Cuevas and Rebecca Kennedy each had two hits for the Crescents.

On March 19th, Pass Christian blanked Hancock 5-0. Ryan Davis pitched a complete game no-hitter for the Pirates. Corey Ladner, Dustin Allen and Derek

Palmer all had two hits for the Pirates while Allen had 2 RBIs. Ladner added one run batted in.

D'Iberville squeaked by Bay High 5-4 in a division contest on March 19th. Robbie Pitre had three hits at the plate for the Tigers while Brad Ladner tallied two hits. Kyle Sick was the losing pitcher.

SSC shutout Gautier 8-0 in a Division 8-4A game that upped the Rocks' record to 6-8 and 3-2. Tyler Henry pitched a complete game one-hitter and recorded 13 strikeouts. Steven Keel, Brooks Breland, and Lee Klein all had two RBIs in the game.

D'Iberville defeated OLA in softball action on March 19th by the low score of 1-0.

On Saturday, March 20th, the Bay High Tigers split a pair of games with the Gulfport Admirals. Bay High (6-8) won the first game 8-4 but dropped the nightcap 9-2.

St. Stanislaus split a pair of games at Harrison Central on Saturday. SSC defeated George County 4-2 as Alex Nunez scattered seven hits and struck out two batters. Lee Klein and Brett Ladner each had two hits in the game. The Rocks dropped the nightcap to Harrison Central 10-4. The loss dropped the Rocks to 7-

9 overall and Zak Sedgebeer was the losing pitcher. Klein and Dylan Drake each had two hits for SSC.

Pass Christian split a pair of games on March 20th. The Pirates lost to Long Beach 12-6 despite three hits from Dustin Allen. In the second game, the Pirates (10-7) defeated the St. John Eagles 7-1. Jeremy Bailey, Chris Dahl, and Frederick Wiley all had two hits. The win was also the 100th coaching victory for Tim Holland.

The Bay High Lady Tigers dropped a softball contest with the Lady Warriors of D'Iberville 5-2 on Saturday.

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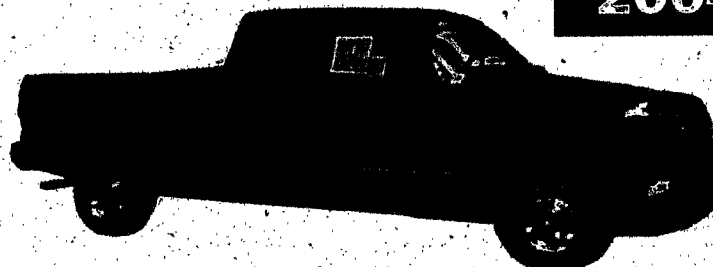
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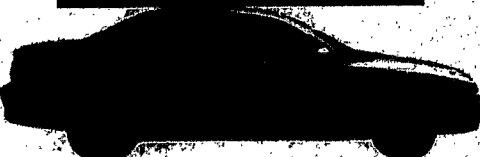
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## Cold Turkey



Chase McArthur, 7 years old, son of Mike and Amy McArthur of Picayune, went on his first turkey hunt during the youth hunt weekend in Pearl River County. Accompanied by his dad and cousin Chase got his first kill on March 14. Jeff Landrum of Picayune used a wooden turkey box to call in the bird and shortly after Chase moved in for the kill. The turkey weighed 16 pounds and sported a 10-inch beard, 1-1/4 inch spurs. After attending the National Wild Turkey Federation banquet in Waveland last week Chase decided to give turkey hunting a try. He is now planning on teaching his dad how to turkey hunt.

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# Sports

## Brett Favre Day



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Rocky Gaudin, Hancock High head coach of athletics, accepts a donation from Micah Necaise, vice president of Hancock Bank in Kiln. The \$1,000 donation will be applied toward the life-size bronze statue of Brett Favre to be unveiled at a weekend celebration on May 7-8. An invitation-only "patron" reception will be held May 7 at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis. On May 8, a high school football jamboree will feature the Hancock Hawks and other area high schools. For more information about this tribute to the football star, a Hancock County native, or to contribute to the event, contact Rocky Gaudin at 228-467-2972 or Beth Seymour at 228-467-0244 or 228-255-8086.

## SSC & OLA thinclads make a clean sweep of Catholic Relays

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

It was a clean sweep by St. Stanislaus and Our Lady Academy in the 2004 Catholic School Relays held at Yankee Stadium in Biloxi on Wednesday, March 17th.

The St. Stanislaus track team won both the varsity and junior high divisions while OLA claimed top honors in the varsity and junior high classifications.

In the varsity boys class, the Rocks amassed 131 points to claim first place followed by St. John with 75 points, Mercy Cross 33 and Resurrection with 4 points.

Kyle Lewis was a triple winner for the Rocks claiming wins in the 800m, 1600m and 3200m runs with times of 2:05.78, 4:34.49, and 9:42, respectively.

Sam Hudgens was a double-winner in the hurdle events with a top time of 43.3 in the 300m intermediate hurdles and 17.37 in the 110m high hurdles.

Nick Weinmann placed first in both the shotput and discus with throws of 47'7" and 131'11 1/2". Greg Rice took the top spot in the high jump with a height of 5'6" and Jake Johnson won the pole vault with 10'6".

Beau Brodtmann crossed the line in first place in the 400m dash with a time of 54.25 while the 800m relay team won with a time of 1:38.48.

In the junior high division, the Rocks totaled 118 points to Mercy Cross 5 points in a runaway for the title.

Connor Smith was a double-winner in the pole vault with a height of 9'6" and the 800m run with a time of 2:37.59.

Sherman Necaise brought home two first place finishes in the 100m dash with a time of 13.37 and the discus with a throw of 104'8".

Javier Gutierrez won the long jump with a leap of 13'2" while Dale Johnson

claimed the top spot in the shotput with a throw of 35'2".

Alejandro Gonzalez and Pablo Puga tied for top honors in the high jump with a height of 4'8". Luke Frank won the 1600m run in 6:12.04 while Jeremiah Morgan won the 400m dash in 1:03.30. Javier Abascal crossed the tape first in the 200m dash with a time of 29.21.

SSC claimed all three relay races with times of 4:57.65, 1:54.79, and 57.68 in the 1600m relay, the 800m relay, and the 400m relay.

In varsity girls action, OLA scored 83 points en route to the title followed by Mercy Cross with 61, Resurrection 38, and St. John with 6 points.

Jennifer Asper was a double-winner in the 3200m and 1600m runs with times of 12:25 and 5:57.30. Margaret Rittiner won the 400m dash in 1:05.09 while Olivia Hoff won the long jump with a leap of 13'3".

Annette Allard claimed the high jump with a height of 4'10" and Kaitlyn Bosley won the triple jump with a leap of 27'7".

The OLA 800m relay team crossed the tape first with a time of 1:59.13.

In the junior high division, OLA scored 96 points as they ran away with the trophy. Mercy Cross scored 28 points and Resurrection 6 points.

Ansley Blalock won the girls long jump with a leap of 12'5" while Burnett won the shotput with a toss of 15'8".

Kaitlyn Church was a double-winner on the track with top times of 14.56 and 30.37 in the 100m and 200m dashes, respectively. Jody Donlin claimed first place in both the 800m run and the 1600m run with times of 3:06.78 and 7:03.99.

OLA won all three relay races with times of 1:04.93 in the 400m, 2:08.69 in the

800m, and 5:50.39 in the 1600m.

Kaitlyn Stovall won the discus with a throw of 49'8 1/2".

## Little League Softball tryouts set

Hancock County Little League Softball tryouts are available to all youth ages 6-13. The league is a total volunteer program and continually seeks volunteers who are interested in rewarding participation in a worthy community program. If you have some free time and would like to volunteer to support the youth of our community, please contact Walter at 467-6598 for more details.

## Waveland Little League still accepting registration

The Waveland Little League is still accepting applications for baseball, both girls and boys, ages 5-13. Anyone interested, please call Lloyd at 467-4406 or

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# Richard earns national honor

## THE SEA COAST ECHO

Mississippi's President Sue Richard of Kiln, a member of Alfred Alleman Auxiliary #2539, was honored last week by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States at its 2004 National Mid-Year Conference at the Gaylord Opryland Convention Center in Nashville, Tenn.

The highlight of the conference, which on March 17-20, was the VIP recognition given to the 49 State Presidents who achieved the goal of 85% membership. At a special reception, National President Evelyn McCune of Newton, Kan., will honor each with a medallion recognizing her achievement.

Country singer/songwriter, Lorrie Morgan, who made her first appearance at the Grand Ole Opry at age 13 and in 1984 became the youngest singer inducted into the Opry, will receive the Better World Award and \$15,000 for the Grand Ole Opry Trust Fund to help country stars who are down on their luck.

She is the 34th recipient of the Better World Award,



Sue Richard

joining other humanitarians such as Erma Bombeck, Will Rogers, Jr., Col. Frank Borman, and Shelley Fabares.

Morgan has long supported many charitable organizations, working for the betterment of others through Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, TJ Martell Foundation, for Cancer Research, YWCA Women's Shelter, Angel Tree/Salvation Army, and Sumner County Animal Shelter.

Helping others is also important to SSG Felicia Parker, who assisted dozens of other women serving in

Iraq when she asked the Ladies Auxiliary VFW to send items that were difficult to get.

She was honored with the Kindness, Love & Peace Award.

As a result of her inquiry, Ladies Auxiliary members donated hundreds of items for the troops and the project soon expanded to include female soldiers deployed in Afghanistan and Kuwait. To date, 11 shipments have been sent; a total of 263 boxes.

SSG Parker returned home on February 4, just 24 days short of a year serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom in the 101st Air Assault Division.

She has been in the U.S. Army for 14 years and is stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky.

"Knowing we had the support of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW helped make the deployment to Iraq better for female soldiers," she has said since her return.

Although she is back, the Ladies Auxiliary will continue this effort as long as it is needed. The list of recipients for the care packages

keeps changing as the soldiers rotate home and new ones are deployed and are in need of the organization's support.

Other ways the Ladies Auxiliary supports America's active duty military personnel are by providing free long-distance telephone cards and by assisting families left at home.

The approximately 300 members from throughout the country who are attending the conference will participate in workshops, hear the National President's report on her activities to date, and discuss the mid-year progress of the organization's 12 community service programs such as Junior Girls Units, Cancer Aid & Research, and Hospital & Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service.

The 660,671 members of the Ladies Auxiliary are wives, mothers, daughters and other female relatives of those who have served overseas during a war. For more information about the organization's activities, go to <http://www.ladiesauxvfw.com>.

## WW II Veteran speaks at HHS



In early February, the Hancock High JROTC hosted guest speaker Marvin Perrett, a World War II Veteran and Louisiana resident. Perrett shared with students and JROTC cadets his experiences as a pilot of a Coast Guard landing craft during the D-Day of France. In addition, Perrett displayed newspaper articles, posters, uniforms, and various other items from World War II.

## Olde Towne Players host auditions for June production

Olde Towne Players will hold auditions for "Telling Wide Tales: The Fairy Tales of Oscar Wilde" at 7 p.m. March 30 at Serenity Gallery, 126 Main St., Bay St. Louis.

Director Ray Kutos is seeking readers of all ages to portray the characters for the toy theatre production scheduled for June 19.

Because the actors will read their lines, the play will require only a minimum of rehearsal time. Details: 452-7761.

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## Fibromyalgia Support Group to meet with spouses, families

The Hancock County Fibromyalgia Support Group invites people with fibromyalgia to bring their spouses and other family members with them to the March 29 meeting at 7 p.m. in the Seal Room at the Bay St. Louis Library.

Guest speaker Jim Soriano of Pass Christian will talk about how the disorder affects not only the people who suffer from it but family members who must often change their lifestyles to accommodate the pain, fatigue and disability that fibromyalgia causes.

He will discuss the stress and burnout that family members encounter and

give tips on how to deal with that. He also will suggest ways that family members can support fibromyalgia sufferers in coping with daily activities.

"I believe in a team management approach," he said.

Soriano has a master's degree in counseling and is a licensed professional counselor. He formerly worked for NuCare in New Orleans working with people suffering from such diseases as cancer and chronic fatigue. He now works in Biloxi for Tricare, dealing with mental health problems in the military community such as stress management, disease management, parenting and marriage.

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## Spring Pilgrimage begins Friday

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**M**ississippi Gulf Coast 57th Annual Pilgrimage will be held on March 26th through April 3rd. This year's theme is "The Food, Faces, Places and Events that Make Southern Comfort." The Pilgrimage is a tour of grand and historic homes, gardens, museums, and historical landmarks. All tours are complimentary and presented by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Each year noteworthy homes and gardens along the historic Mississippi Gulf Coast are opened to the public in a display of the graciousness of southern

living.

On opening day, March 26 the Pilgrimage will begin in historic Biloxi, Mississippi. The pilgrimage tour will begin with the Genzer Home, featuring flower displays in each room and La Belle Maison Bed & Breakfast Inn, Circa 1897, designed and furnished with family antiques. Then the pilgrimage tour will meander up and down the scenic Gulf Coast Area and will exhibit private and historic homes, even to the restored Fort Maurepas for a look at colonial living.

Each day of the Pilgrimage, a local garden club will host the annual tour by featuring one or more beautiful homes and/or gardens in their city

or area.

New This Year: Tuesday, March 30th A Southern Tea and Fashion Show will be at the Gulf Hills Hotel, Ocean Springs, MS. There will be two sittings for the tea, the first will be at 11 a.m. and the second at 3 p.m. with a world-famous fashion show composed of one-of-a-kind dresses made by international designers at both teas.

Advance reservations and a \$30 donation are required for the Southern Tea and Fashion Show. For tea reservations, contact Deborah Seidel at 228-875-7981. Space will be limited.

A Southern Marketplace in which local artists and craft persons will be exhibiting, demonstrating,

and selling their arts and crafts at the Gulf Hills Hotel on Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Southern ladies in antebellum gowns will greet and visit with guests. After the Southern Tea and Fashion Show, the models will be parading throughout the hotel. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited and encouraged to visit the marketplace.

The Ending Ceremonies on April 3rd will be performed at the Old Brick House in Biloxi with jazz music and Second Liners (dancers) entertaining the guests. The winning raffle ticket will be drawn for three Stig Marcussen Prints (need not be present to win). Please call Charlotte Rhett

at 228-388-5726 for raffle tickets before the Pilgrimage begins or purchase the day of the event. Refreshments will be served.

For More Information:  
 • Marjorie Shaughnessy - Chairperson - MS Gulf Coast 57th Annual Pilgrimage 228-872-7738, 13904 Paraiso Road Ocean Springs, MS 39564  
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## SHOW BIZ KIDZ offer 'Cinderella'

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**G**ulfport Little Theatre's SHOW BIZ KIDZ will present its youth production of "Cinderella" March 26-28 and April 2-4.

Show times will be at 7 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 3 p.m. on Sundays.

This classic fairy tale of Cinderella is set to music and embellished with twists and turns not found in the original plot. Cinderella has to deal with much more than the three jealous stepsisters and her stepmother. Over 70 young cast members will perform in this musical extravaganza.

Cast members include Abby Abide, Caroline Abide, Victoria Abide, Jennifer Arnoult, Whitney Arrowood, Brooke Ashley, Lauren Ashley, Hayley Barnes, Aaron Bentz, Taylor Bertrand, Kathryn Bezue, Caitlyn Bosarge, Madison Bosarge, Maddie Bowers, Laura Brondum, Gabrielle Brou, James Brumbaugh, Claire Burkes, Sydney Bush, Sarah Campbell, Cara Chapman, Beth Cox, Tasha Duncan, Brooke Felix, Andrew Fulton, Jasmine Gates, Thuy Gibson, Deaton Grant, Mitchell Herrin, Hannah Hill, Emily Jacobsen, Daniel Jones, Sophie Kreher, Sara Louise Linger, Jennifer Logan and Elizabeth MacMahon.

The cast also includes

Pictured are Hailey Wheeler (foreground) with Sara Louise Linger, Zoe Newman and Maddie Bowers.

Jaquila McWilliams, Summer Morton, Amber Murphy, Jayme Murphy, Sarah Nazarethian, Savannah Neaise, Zoe Newman, Shelby Purchner, Tyler Purchner, Emma Rabalais, Holly Ranson, Melissa Rawalt, Chris Rehmann, Elizabeth Rehmann, Claire Richardson, Bryce Russell, Olivia Russell, Alexandria Saucier, Bailey Smith,

Cameron Smith, Emilia Smith, Haleigh Smith, Jason Smith, Amelia Sullivan, Wesley Sykes, Abby Thomas, Seth Thomas, Courtney Thurtell, Colten Wales, Dillon Wales, Hailey Wheeler, Randi Wilks, Jennifer Wright, Taylor Wright and Zoe Zollinger.

Directors include Lee Green Pope, Jackie Dauphin, Roddy Russell and Molly Cox.

Other involved are Roddy Russell, music director; Molly Cox, choreographer; Colleen Rabalais, costumes; Dane Rabalais, Harry Collins, Barry Newman and Teresa Purchner, set construction; Amy Jean Lemco and Matthew Black, acting coaches; Cindy Gibson, tickets; Scott Smith and Dennis Dauphin, tech; Barry Newman, Ron Purchner, Jimmy Jones, Josh Barrett,

Steven Kershaw, Amy Barnes, Amy Lemco, Teresa Purchner, Roddy Russell and Lucy Russell, stage crew.

Gulfport Little Theatre is located at 2600 13th Ave., one block off Pass Road, behind Chris' Beauty College. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. Reservations are not required. General seating begins a half hour before showtime.

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Two Hancock County organizations will benefit from a charity concert featuring multi-platinum, Grammy nominated 3 Doors Down. The Hancock Medical Center Foundation is selling \$5 raffle tickets for the custom drum head and for VIP backstage passes with tickets to the concert. To purchase at the hospital, contact the Marketing office at (228) 467-8079 or (228) 467-8790. Raffle tickets will also be available at the Hancock High School and Bay High school clinics.

Additional VIP backstage passes are available for a \$250 direct donation to one of the charities. Concert tickets must be purchased separately. The band is hoping to raise at least

\$125,000 to distribute to the organizations. They include:  
 • Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse  
 • Gulf Coast Women's Center for Non-Violence  
 • Hancock Medical Center Foundation  
 • Hope Haven  
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### Don't miss 'Celebrity Chef's Fest'

**FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD TO the Sixth Annual Celebrity Chefs Fest on Sunday, April 4th from 4pm-8:30pm** In the new Gymnasium Building on the Campus of Our Lady Academy (OLA) and Bay Catholic Elementary (BCE) located on Union Street in Bay St. Louis. The event will benefit the building fund of OLA and BCE. Top chefs from throughout the West Coast of Mississippi will participate in the culinary competition: Acadian Grill, Annie's, Bay City Grill, Chappy's Seafood Restaurant, Dempsey's Seafood & Steak, Favre's On The Bayou, Jack's Restaurant & Lounge, Kajun Kitchen, Long Beach Lookout, Paradise Pizza & Steak, Inc., Southern Delights & Catering, Steve's Marina, The Sycamore House, Trapani's Eatery, and 27th Ave. Bistro. The distinguished panel of judges include: Mayor Robert Bass of Long Beach, Mayor Eddie Favre of Bay St. Louis, Mayor Tommy Longo of Waveland and well-known individuals from the media.

In addition, drum heads signed by band members were donated to each partic-



## Scouts in Action



Thirty four Scouts and leaders from Pack 381 and Troop 381 participated in Scout Sunday at Our Lady of the Gulf in Bay St. Louis. The Mass recognized Scouts that earned their Catholic religious emblems this past year and rosary patches were presented by the Knights of Columbus to each Scout or leader that completed those requirements. Our Lady of the Gulf Parish sponsors both Pack 381 and Troop 381.

The Bear den of Cub Scout Pack 381 visited American Medical Response (AMR) recently. Nellie McInnis, Business Development Specialist, with AMR conducted the tour of the facilities in Gulfport. The boys visited the 911 call center, toured an ambulance and learned what to do in various types of emergencies. Pack 381 is sponsored by Our Lady of the Gulf Parish in Bay St. Louis.



## SSC students at math competition

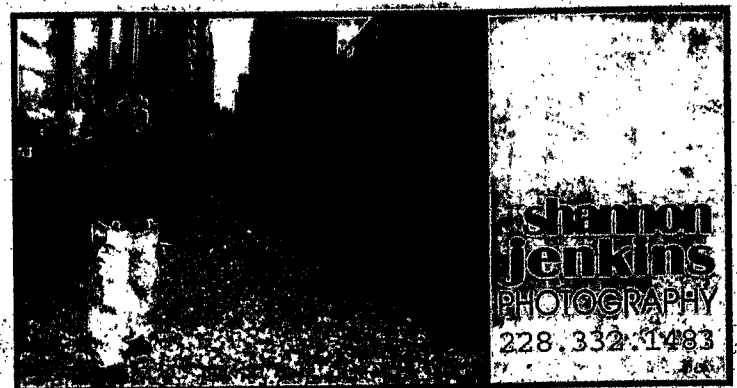
### THE SEA COAST ECHO

Four St. Stanislaus students in the seventh and eighth grade competed in a math competition held at Pearl River Community College in Poplarville, according to Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, Principal.

John Irwin and Gunduz Yavuzer represented the eighth grade and Keith Marrero and Guy Wood represented the seventh grade.

Keith came in place first in the seventh grade competition and will advance to the state competition that will be held in April.

St. Stanislaus College is a Catholic residency and day school for young men in grades 6-12. The school fosters character formation and integrates faith development within a curriculum which is primarily college preparatory.



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## Sullivan repeats win in Voice of Democracy contest



Katherine Sullivan, a Junior at Hancock High School, receives a \$100 Savings Bond from the Diamondhead VFW and Ladies Auxiliary for her winning entry. The contest requires contestants to write and record a 3-5 minute essay on audio cassette based on that year's theme. The theme for this year was: "My Commitment to America's Future."

## St. Clare Geography Bee winners

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Saint Clare Elementary School in Waveland held its annual Geography Bee on Friday, Jan. 16.

The ten finalists were chosen after grade level questions were presented to all the fourth, fifth and sixth graders.

The final ten answered questions presented before

an assembly.

The final winner was Nicholas Denette in the fourth grade. Nicholas then took a written exam that will be graded by state competition.

Congratulations Nicholas and Good Luck!

The ten school finalists were:

Sixth Grade:  
Elizabeth Carambat,  
Zed Leslie  
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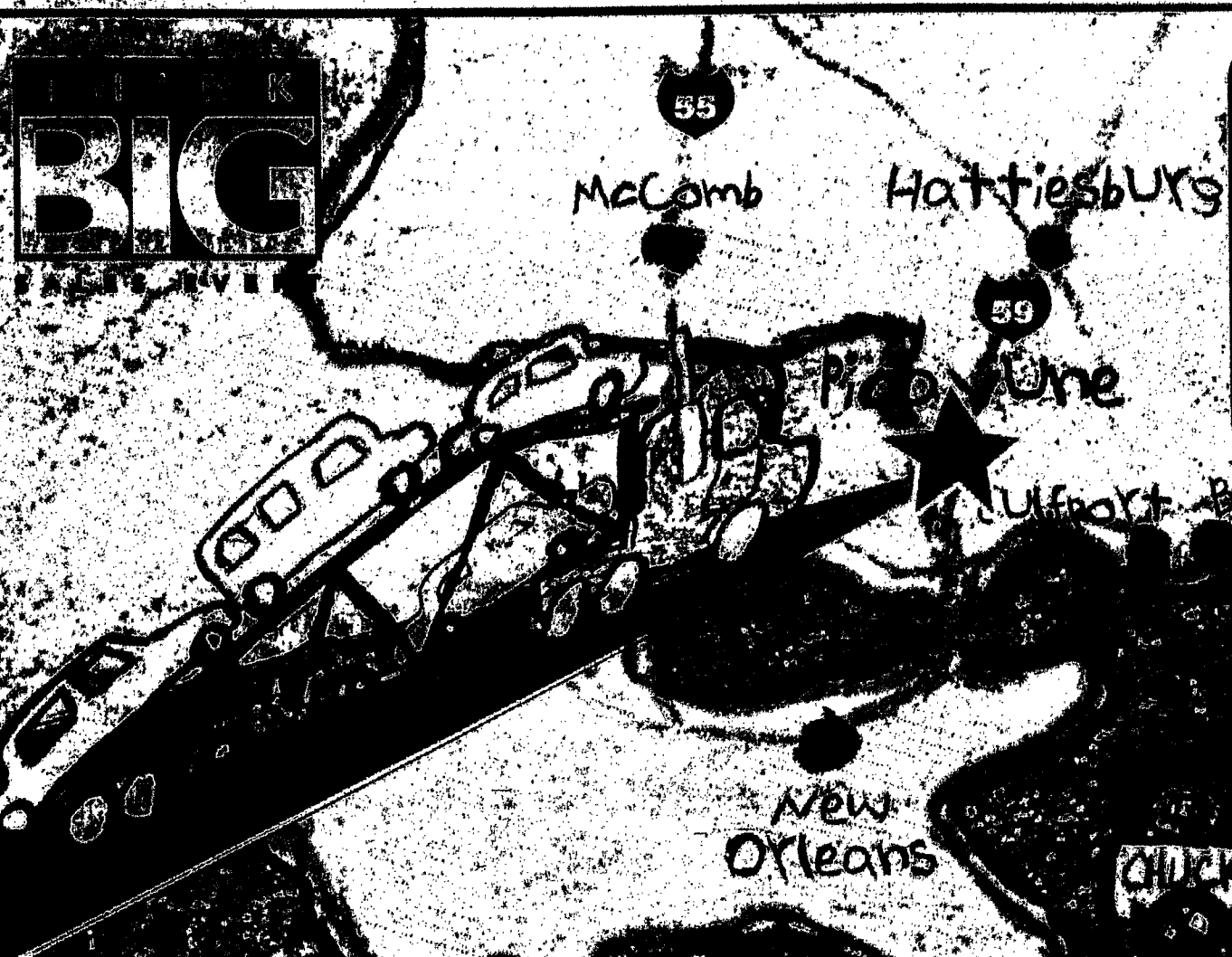
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Starting at  
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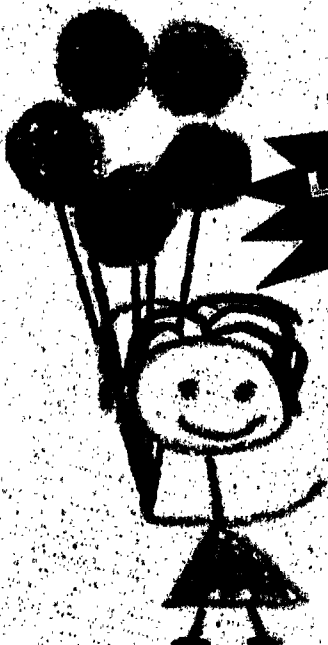
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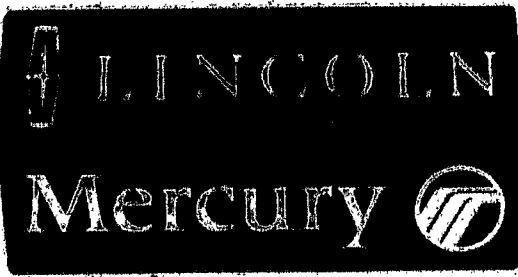
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Supermarkets

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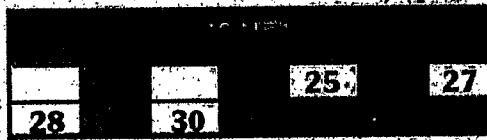
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Fresh Fryer  
Leg Quarters

Lb. **3.99**



Maple Leaf  
Sliced Ham

**99¢** 10-Oz. Pkg.



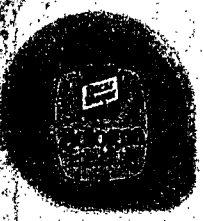
Mariah Smoked  
Sliced Bacon

**2 \$3** 12-Oz. Pkgs.



Carolina Pride  
Smoked Sausage

**\$1.59** 1-Lb. Pkg.



Oscar Mayer 1-Lb.

Sliced  
Bologna.....

**2 \$3** For



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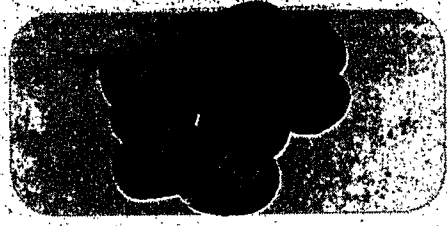
Hot Dogs...1-Lb. Pkg.

**99¢**



Southern  
Sweet  
Strawberries

**\$1.99** 1-Lb. Pkg.



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Tomatoes

**98¢** 4-Pack



Western Sweet Large  
Navel  
Oranges

**3 \$1** For



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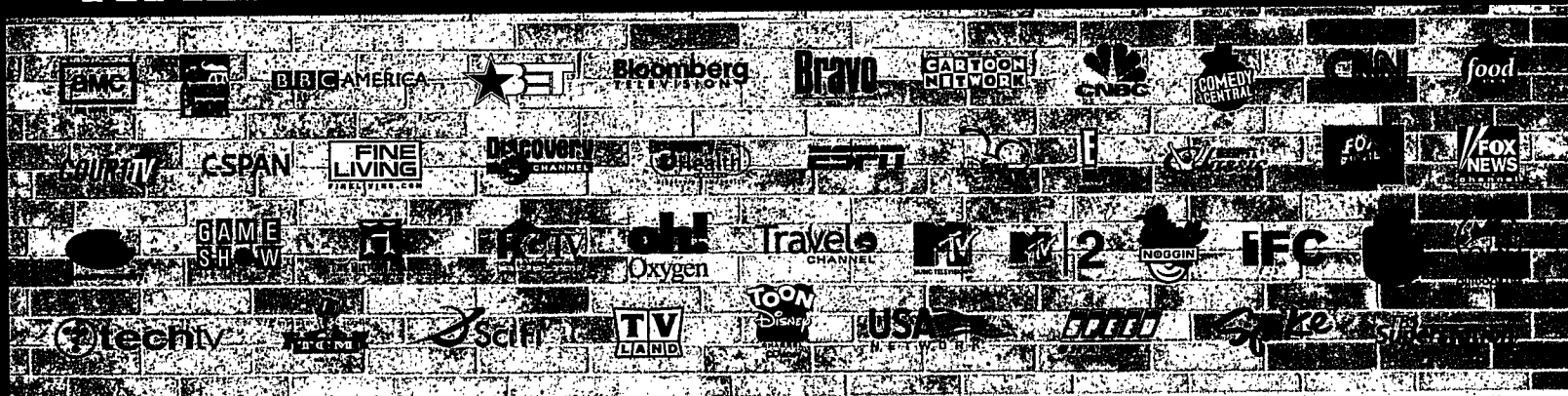
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Model SD-HB

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